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MEMO TO: MEMBERS, ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
REP. AL OTT – CHAIR

FROM: REP. JUDY KRAWCZYK

DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2002

RE: ASSEMBLY BILL 867

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today in support of Assembly Bill 867 relating to authorizing dairy product wholesalers to furnish freezer cabinets to dairy product retailers. I would especially like to thank Rep. Ott for scheduling a timely hearing on this legislation.

The need for this statutory change was brought to my attention by a dairy business in Green Bay. This business, and I'm certain others as well, would like to be able to rent small, portable freezer cabinets for the sale of single service novelty ice cream products to retailers – something which is currently prohibited by law. This statute has been on the books for 40 years and dairy producers feel a change in the law is needed at this time.

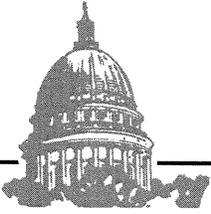
The dairy industry plays an integral role in Wisconsin's economy and we should do all we can to encourage consumption of our dairy products. Updating this law will help increase ice cream sales by allowing frozen novelties to fairly compete with other food products, such as snacks, candy and beverages. This approach also benefits retailers in that it would allow them to increase their sales of frozen dessert novelties without the need for a capital investment in these specialty freezer cabinets.

This proposal is being supported by the Wisconsin Dairy Products Association, the Wisconsin Farm Bureau, the Wisconsin Grocers Association, and the Wisconsin Association of Convenience Stores. I believe it deserves your support as well.

Again, thank you for holding a public hearing on this legislation.

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**Testimony for AB 845 and AB 867
February 28, 2002 -- 328 NW**

Dear Agriculture Committee Members:

Once again, I would like to thank Chairman Ott for his prompt action on these bills. I wanted to provide the committee with brief comments outlining my support for Assembly Bills 845 and 867.

Assembly Bill 845 was introduced at the request of the Veterinary Examining Board and Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association.

Currently, veterinarians and veterinary technicians must renew their licenses and certifications every two years. But, Wisconsin is one of only 8 states that does not mandate continuing education as part of this process.

AB 845 seeks to enhance the skills of our veterinary professionals through required continuing education. Veterinarians would be required to complete 30 hours of continuing education every two years and veterinary technicians would be required to complete 15 hours every two years.

Assembly Bill 867 is a very simple update to change an antiquated law on the books. Dairy product wholesalers are currently prohibited from furnishing equipment to retailers – with certain exemptions. One example of such an exemption – wholesalers may furnish vending machines if the products are consumed on the premises.

This bill would allow wholesalers to sell, lend, or rent portable freezer cabinets for the display of frozen dessert novelties.

We held a public hearing on the Senate companion bill yesterday, and had the registered support of the WI Dairy Products Association, the Agribusiness Council, the Farm Bureau and the Federation of Coops. There was no opposition to the bill.

I appreciate your thoughtful consideration of this legislation.

Sincerely,

Dave Hansen
State Senator

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Vote Record

Assembly - Committee on Agriculture

Date: 2/28/02

Bill Number: AB 867

Moved by: Gronemus

Seconded by: Petrowski

Motion: _____

passage as amended

Committee Member

Rep. Alvin Ott, Chair

Aye

No

Absent Not Voting

Rep. Eugene Hahn

Rep. John Ainsworth

Rep. Jerry Petrowski

Rep. Steve Kestell

Rep. Scott Suder

Rep. Gabe Loeffelholz

Rep. Garey Bies

Rep. J.A. Hines

Rep. Barbara Gronemus

Rep. Joe Plouff

Rep. Marty Reynolds

Rep. John Steinbrink

Rep. Julie Lassa

Rep. Marlin Schneider

Rep. Mary Hubler

Totals:

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Motion Carried

Motion Failed

Vote Record

Assembly - Committee on Agriculture

Date: 2/28/02

Bill Number: AB 867

Moved by: Hubler

Seconded by: Halun

Motion: introduction of amendment

Committee Member

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Vote Record

Assembly - Committee on Agriculture

Date: 2/28/02

Bill Number: AB 867

Moved by: Hubler

Seconded by: Hahn

Motion: adoption of amendment

Committee Member

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