



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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**January 2011 Special Session
Assembly Bill 10**

Assembly Amendment 4

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JANUARY 2011 SPECIAL SESSION ASSEMBLY BILL 10

Assembly Bill 10 would exempt an activity affecting a wetland of less than three acres in size from the water quality standards applicable to wetlands and other laws administered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that relate to water quality and navigable waters if:

- The wetland is in Brown County.
- The site of the activity is part of a tax incremental district.
- The site of the activity is zoned for community business use.
- The person engaged in the activity is issued any necessary permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- The person engaged in the activity will complete required mitigation at a ratio of at least 1.5 acres of wetlands created or mitigation bank credits purchased to one acre of wetland affected.

Assembly Amendment 4

Assembly Amendment 4 would change the bill as follows:

- The exemption would only apply in the Village of Ashwaubenon.
- The exemption would only apply to nonfederal wetlands.

- The exemption would only apply in the vicinity of a professional football stadium.
- Wetland mitigation of 1.5 acres of wetland for each acre affected by the activity would be required or an alternative mitigation project could be approved by DNR.

Legislative History

Assembly Amendment 4 was introduced by Representatives Mursau, Rivard, Williams, Kleefisch, Nerison, J. Ott, Severson, Steineke, and Tiffany. The Assembly Committee on Natural Resources recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 4 by a vote of Ayes, 15; Noes, 0, and recommended passage of Assembly Bill 10, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 9; Noes, 6.

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