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2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 49

March 15, 2011 – Introduced by Representatives LEMAHIEU, SEVERSON, MURSAU, AUGUST, BALLWEG, KERKMAN, PRIDEMORE, STRACHOTA and SPANBAUER, cosponsored by Senators GROTHMAN, OLSEN and KEDZIE. Referred to Committee on Tourism, Recreation and State Properties.

- 1 **AN ACT** *to create* 77.51 (7h) (a) 4. of the statutes; **relating to:** including
2 snowmaking in the definition of manufacturing for sales and use tax purposes.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the sale of machines and equipment used exclusively and directly by a manufacturer in manufacturing tangible personal property is exempt from the sales and use tax. For sales and use tax purposes, “manufacturing” includes all of the following:

1. Crushing, washing, grading, and blending sand, rock, gravel, and other minerals.
2. Ore dressing.
3. Conveying work in progress directly from one manufacturing process to another in the same plant.
4. Testing or inspecting a new article of tangible personal property that is being manufactured.
5. Storing work in progress in the same plant where the manufacturing occurs.
6. Assembling finished units of tangible personal property.
7. Packaging a new article of tangible personal property.

Under this bill, for sales and use tax purposes, “manufacturing” also includes snowmaking and snow-grooming operations at ski hills, ski slopes, and ski trails.

