



State of Wisconsin
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1997 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

March 19, 1998 - Introduced by Senator BURKE, cosponsored by Representative BOCK. Referred to Committee on Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations.

1 **Relating to:** requesting Congress to consider a constitutional amendment for
2 environmental rights.

3 Whereas, the health of the people of Wisconsin and their right to enjoy clean air
4 and water is threatened by pollution of the environment; and

5 Whereas, we are the custodians of the health of our children and of future
6 generations, and must safeguard their ability to breathe clean air, drink healthful
7 water and avoid poisons; and

8 Whereas, a constitutional remedy to protect our environmental rights is
9 warranted; while the American people have rightly been reluctant to amend the
10 constitution except for the most compelling reasons, the commitment to the public
11 health and environmental security of our citizens and of future generations is so
12 important, and so deeply a part of American tradition and values, that it requires
13 constitutional protection; now, therefore, be it

