

**DRAFTER'S NOTE**  
**FROM THE**  
**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU**

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Senator Burke:

1. Please review this draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. As Barry suggested, I spoke with Keith Roepelle at the Wisconsin Environmental Decade on April 1 regarding the type of equipment that should qualify for a credit under this bill. At that time, Mr. Roepelle said he would get back to me regarding the specific equipment that the credit should include. As of today's date, however, Mr. Roepelle has not contacted me. Therefore, I drafted the bill based on the limited information that I received with the request.

2. The drafting instructions indicate that the 10% credit may be claimed for "new building equipment". The bill, therefore, provides that the 10% credit may be claimed for equipment that is purchased for a "new building". Does that comply with your intent? If so, I suggest that the bill specify how old a building must be before it is no longer considered "new".

3. The bill provides that the 20% credit may be claimed regardless of whether or not the equipment is purchased for a new building. Is that O.K.?

4. The definition of "equipment" includes the equipment listed in the drafting instructions, plus equipment that is listed as energy efficient equipment by the Environmental Protection Agency's Energy Star program. Because I am not familiar with the equipment listed or with the Energy Star program, please review carefully the definition of "equipment" created in the bill to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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