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Hi Becky here is the fax and the first paragraph has the language that they want changed. Thank you for your help.

#### Marlin

Marlin Hardinger Legislative Assistant Rep. Tom Sykora (608) 266-1194

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#### A POLITICAL STRATEGY TO ENACT ETHANOL LEGISLATION IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN SIMILAR TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

Assumption: Reasonably assured financial feasibility for a successful ethanol plant in Wisconsin is directly dependent upon the State of Wisconsin enacting legislation similar to the State of Minnesota. The fundamental salient elements to be incorporated in state legislation must be: 1) A subsidy of twenty cents per gallon, 2) A ten year commitment, 3) An appropriation of a sum sufficient for the projected number of plants in the state. It is suggested that the fiscal note to provide a sum sufficient would be as follows: FY-2002 at 15 million dollar, FY-2003 at 18 million dollars, FY-2004 at 21 million dollars, FY-2005 thought FY-2011 at 30 million dollars. The last six years would provide for the funding of 10 ethanol plants.

#### Legislative:

It is recommended that legislative efforts be bipartisan and that nearly equal time be spent with both Republicans and Democrats. Principle attention should be given to the leadership of both political parties. Specific legislators that should be contacted are:

Legislators in the district where the proposed sites are to be located. They are Tom Sykora (R), David Zien (R), Shela Harsdorf (R), Scott Suttor (R).

Legislators who represent the leadership to be contacted: Senate Majority Leader, Charles Chvala (D), Assistant Senate Majority Leader Rod Moen (D), Senate Minority Leader Mike Ellis (R), Assistant Minority Leader Margaret Farrow, (R). Also, the Co-Chairs of the Joint Finance Committee, Senator Gary George (D), and Representative John Gard. Additionally, the Chairs of the Agricultural, Natural Resources and Transportation should be contacted.

#### Administrative:

Governor Thompson may be leaving the state, however, the state budget will be the Thompson budget and Governor Thompson should be contacted to reaffirm his support. Scott McCallum who also has been supportative of business should be contacted for his support. Other agencies that should lend support are:

Department of Agriculture, Director Ben Brancel Department of Commerce, Brenda Blanchard Director of the Budget, Rick Chandler Department of Natural Resources, George Meyer

1/22/01 Per Bob Suther-1. sunset program in 2013 2. Repeal provision about termination if fed trans aid decreases.

# ETHANOL PRODUCTION ADVANTAGES FOR FARMERS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ENVIORNMENT (A proposed 15 million gallon production plant)

#### A FACT SHEET

Preface: The State of Wisconsin has enacted legislation that authorizes a subsidy of 20 cents per gallon for each gallon of ethanol produced for a period of up to five years. However, no funds were appropriated. The State of Minnesota enacted similar ethanol legislation, but the Minnesota program provides a state subsidy of 20 cents per gallon for a period of 10 years and it has an annual sum sufficient appropriation of 34 million dollars during the current fiscal year that funds each of the existing 14 plants with up to 3 million dollars per year. The State of Wisconsin has no plants producing ethanol. This is ostensibly because the state simply has not provided a sufficient subsidy package to enhance the benefit to cost/risk factor. It is suggested that if the State of Wisconsin amends the existing ethanol legislation and provides the same positive subsidies as Minnesota has, it will be a win for the State, a win for farmers, a win for economic development and a win for the environment.

- Farmers: It will create a demand for about an additional 5.5 million bushels of corn per year for Wisconsin farmers and a long-term stable market for the sale of corn. It will increase the price of corn and provide financial security to farming communities. Distilled grains, a byproduct of ethanol, is in high demand by farmers for feed grain.
- Economic Development: The proposed production plant will create about 32 new jobs and create an overall value added economic impact of about 30 million dollars per year during the operational phase, (e.g., in ten years the overall value added economic impact will be about 300 million dollars.) It will provide a positive return value to the state beyond the proposed subsidy through payroll taxes, and corporate taxes. The State of Wisconsin will reduce its current 67 million gallons of imported ethanol, thus, reducing the state's imbalance of trade. An additional byproduct of producing ethanol is carbon dioxide gas that is sold commercially.
- Environment: Used as a blend in gasoline, about 10 percent by volume, it provides for cleaner gas emissions, reduces smog and because of an improved atmosphere, it improves the quality of life for humans. Currently, the EPA, requires six counties in Wisconsin to either blend gasoline with ethanol or MTBE. Many states have banned the use of MTBE because it inimical to health and the environment. The State of Minnesota requires all gasoline in the state to be blended with ethanol.



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AN ACT ...; relating to: payments to ethanol producers and making an

appropriation.

#### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection (DATCP) to make payments to an ethanol producer that watisfies certain recording the first 60 months of ethanol production. The payments are 20 cents per gallon for not more than 15,000,000 gallons of ethanol produced within 12 months, except that, if there is insufficient funding, DATCP must prorate the payments. The program ends on June 30, 2006, or earlier if Model determines that federal transportation aids are decreased because of ethanol sales in this state.

This bill creates a sum sufficient appropriation for payments by DATCP to ethanol producers and eliminates the requirement that DATCP prorate payments if funding is insufficient to make full payments. The bill provides for payments to be made for the first 120 months of ethanol production, rather than the first 60 months. The bill also extends the program until June 30, 2013, and eliminates the provision that ends the program earlier if the department of transportation DOT determines that federal transportation aids are decreased because of ethanol sales.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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SECTION 1. 20.115 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:
20.115 (1) (d) Payments to ethanol producers. A sum sufficient for payments
to ethanol producers under s. 93.75. No funds may be encumbered under this
paragraph after June 30, 2013.
SECTION 2. 20.115 (3) (d) of the statutes is repealed.
SECTION 3. 93.75 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
93.75 (1) (b) The person has been producing ethanol in this state for fewer than
60 <u>120</u> months.
SECTION 4. 93.75 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
93.75 (2) PAYMENTS. The department shall pay a person who is eligible under
sub. (1) at the rate of 20 cents per gallon for not more than 15,000,000 gallons of
ethanol produced in this state within 12 months, except that if there are insufficient
funds to make payments at this rate to all eligible persons the department shall
prorate the payments.  Section #. RP, 93,75(3)(c)  SECTION 5. 93.75 (3m) of the statutes is repealed.
SECTION 6. 93.75 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
93.75 (4) SUNSET. The department may not make a payment under this section
after June 30, <del>2006, or the first day of the 6th month beginning after the department</del>

History: 1999 a. 55.

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receives a notice under sub. (3m), whichever is sooner 2013.



STEPHEN R. MILLER CHIEF

# State of Misconsin

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January 24, 2001

#### **MEMORANDUM**

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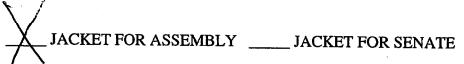
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The attached draft was prepared at your request. Please review it carefully to ensure that it is accurate and satisfies your intent. If it does and you would like it jacketed for introduction, please indicate below for which house you would like the draft jacketed and return this memorandum to our office. If you have any questions about jacketing, please call our program assistants at 266-3561. Please allow one day for jacketing.



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