March 6, 2002 – Introduced by Senator HARSdorf, cosponsored by Representative PLOUFF, by request of the Department of Natural Resources Council on Recycling. Referred to Committee on Environmental Resources.

AN ACT relating to: disposal of oil-absorbant materials.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau
This bill requires the secretary of commerce to appoint a committee to study the use and disposal of used oil filters and other oil-absorbant materials, to establish percentage goals for recycling used oil filters and for recycling or recovering other oil-absorbant materials, and to recommend measures to be taken if those goals are not met.

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

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

SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) DISPOSAL OF OIL-ABSORBANT MATERIALS.

(a) No later than the first day of the 9th month beginning after the effective date of this paragraph, the secretary of commerce shall appoint and convene a committee under section 15.04 (1) (c) of the statutes to do all of the following:

1. Gather data concerning the following:
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1 a. The number of oil filters used in this state annually.

2 b. The number of used oil filters recycled in this state annually.

3 c. The amount of oil-absorbent material disposed of in this state annually.

4 d. The amount of oil-absorbent material recycled or recovered in this state annually.

2. Establish percentage goals for recycling used oil filters and for recycling or recovering other oil-absorbent materials that are enough higher than current practice to make a significant difference but are attainable with current technology.

3. Set a deadline for meeting the goals under subdivision 2.

4. Suggest measures to be taken if the goals under subdivision 2. are not met and dates for taking those measures.

(b) The department of commerce shall schedule meetings of the committee under paragraph (a) once a month for 15 months.

(c) The department shall submit recommendations based on the work of the committee under paragraph (a) to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution in the manner provided in section 13.172 (2) of the statutes and to the governor no later than the first day of the 25th month beginning after the effective date of this paragraph.

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