2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 125

March 5, 2003 – Introduced by Representatives Gunderson, Albers, Bies, Gronemus, Hahn, Ladwig, Loeffelholz, Miller, Musser, Olsen, Ott, Owens, Stone and Townsend, cosponsored by Senators Kedzie and Stepp. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

AN ACT *to amend* 145.245 (7) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** maximum allowable grants under the Private Sewage System Replacement or Rehabilitation Grant Program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who owns a failing private sewage system may obtain a grant from the state for the purpose of replacing or rehabilitating the private sewage system, if the person and the private sewage system satisfy specified criteria. With certain exceptions, the maximum cost allowable in determining the amount of a grant is the cost of rehabilitating or replacing a private sewage system by the least costly methods. Currently, the installation of a holding tank may be one of the least costly method of rehabilitating or replacing a failing private sewage system.

This bill specifies that, with certain exceptions, the maximum cost allowable in determining the amount of a grant is the cost of rehabilitating or replacing a private sewage system by the least costly method, except that a holding tank may not be used as the measure of the least costly method for rehabilitating or replacing a private sewage system other than a holding tank.

For further information see the *state and local* 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:

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SECTION 1.	145.245	(7)	(b)	of the	statutes	is	amended	to	read:
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145.245 (7) (b) Except as provided in par. (e), costs allowable in determining grant funding under this section may not exceed the costs of rehabilitating or replacing a private sewage system by the least costly method, except that a holding tank may not be used as the measure of the least costly method for rehabilitating or replacing a private sewage system other than a holding tank.

7 (END)