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Committee on  
Agriculture and  
Insurance  
(SC-AI)

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**Vote Record**  
**Committee on Agriculture and Insurance**

Date: 4-13-04

Moved by: Olson

Seconded by: Erpenbach

AB 136 SB \_\_\_\_\_ Clearinghouse Rule \_\_\_\_\_  
 AJR \_\_\_\_\_ SJR \_\_\_\_\_ Appointment \_\_\_\_\_  
 AR \_\_\_\_\_ SR \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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 Introduction     Rejection     Tabling     Nonconcurrency

Committee Member

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Senator Dan Kapanke, Chair

Senator Neal Kedzie

Senator Ronald Brown

Senator Luther Olsen

Senator Jon Erpenbach

Senator David Hansen

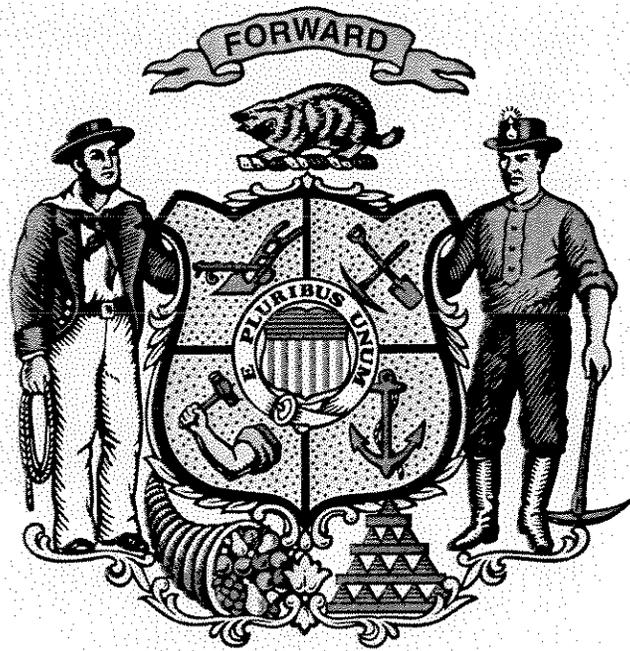
Senator Mark Miller

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Senator Neal Kedzie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Ronald Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Luther Olsen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Jon Erpenbach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator David Hansen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Motion Carried

Motion Failed





State of Wisconsin  
Jim Doyle, Governor

**Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection**  
Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary

April 13, 2006

The Honorable Dan Kapanke  
Chair, Senate Agriculture and Insurance Committee  
Room 104 South, State Capitol  
Madison, WI

Dear Senator Kapanke:

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection supports 2005 Assembly Bill 136 (AB 136), relating to representations made regarding wild rice sold or offered for sale in Wisconsin.

Two of the primary objectives of all food labeling are to accurately and adequately describe the food being offered for sale for consumers and to provide a predictable commerce roadmap for producers, distributors, and retailers who sell food products. AB136 accomplishes these objectives.

AB 136 provides useful consumer information by clearly defining and differentiating between wild and cultivated rice and specifying the harvest method, production location, and wild rice-cultivated rice ratio if applicable. All of this information has value for consumers.

AB 136 also provides equal responsibilities and equal potential marketing opportunities for anyone who harvests, blends, or distributes rice. This bill provides clear expectations to producers and marketers to assist them in deciding about production method and location as well as the advantages or disadvantages of blending rice from different categories.

We encourage the favorable consideration of AB 136 by the Senate Agriculture and Insurance Committee.

Sincerely

Rod Nilsestuen  
Secretary

cc: Senate Agriculture and Insurance Committee Members

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