ASSEMBLY BILL 486 (LRB -2906)

An Act relating to: expenditure of \$10,317.93 from moneys appropriated to the Department of Natural Resources in payment of a claim against the state made by the Klemme Brothers Well Drilling, Inc. (FE)

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08-14.	A.	Introduced by Representatives Stone, LeMahieu, Albers, Hahn, Townsend and Petrowski; cosponsored by Senators Decker and Grothman, by request of State of Wisconsin Claims Board.			
08-14.	A.	Read first time and referred to joint committee on Finance			
08-24.	A.	Fiscal estimate received.			
08-29.	A.	Fiscal estimate received.			
10-31.	A.	Executive action taken.			
11-06.	A.	Report passage recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 16, Noes 0	346		
11-06.	A.	Referred to committee on Rules	346		
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02-28.	A.	Placed on calendar 3-5-2008 by committee on Rules.			
02-28.	A.	Made a special order of business at 11:10 A.M. on 3-5-2008	590		
03-05.	A.	Read a second time			
03-05.	A.	Ordered to a third reading	613		
03-05.	A.	Rules suspended	613		
03-05.	A.	Read a third time and passed	613		
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03-06.	S.	Received from Assembly.			
03-07.	S.	Read first time and referred to committee on Senate Organization.			
03-07.	S.	Available for scheduling.			
03-07.	S.	Placed on calendar 3-11-2008 by committee on Senate Organization.			
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03-11.	S.	Read a third time and concurred in, Ayes 33, Noes 0			
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03-11.	A.	Received from Senate concurred in.			



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August 14, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives Stone, LeMahieu, Albers, Hahn, Townsend and Petrowski, cosponsored by Senators Decker and Grothman, by request of State of Wisconsin Claims Board. Referred to Joint Committee on Finance.

- 1 AN ACT relating to: expenditure of \$10,317.93 from moneys appropriated to the
- 2 Department of Natural Resources in payment of a claim against the state made
- 3 by the Klemme Brothers Well Drilling, Inc.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill directs expenditure of \$10,317.93 from moneys appropriated to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the current fiscal biennium for ground, surface, and drinking water protection and sewage and water pollution discharge control in payment of a claim against DNR made by Klemme Brothers Well Drilling, Inc. The claimant contracted to install two wells in the town of Jackson (Washington County) in 2004. The claimant asserted that an employee of DNR advised it that special casing was not required in the area where the wells were to be installed, and the wells were constructed without the casing. After the wells tested as unclean, DNR required abandonment of the wells and the claimant was required to replace the wells with new wells using special casing. The claimant claimed \$17,405.00 for the cost of replacing the abandoned wells. DNR maintains that the claimant discussed various well locations with its employee and the legal description of the property provided by the claimant was incorrect and may have contributed to the erroneous information that led to construction of the abandoned wells. On June 11, 2007, the claims board recommended payment of this claim in the reduced amount of \$10,317.93, representing the cost of drilling the original wells (see Senate Journal, p. 259).

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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. Claim against the state. There is directed to be expended from the appropriation under section 20.370 (4) (mq) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2005 and 2007, \$10,317.93 in payment of a claim against the state made by Klemme Brothers Well Drilling, Inc., Kewaskum, Wisconsin, as reimbursement for the cost of drilling 2 wells in the town of Jackson, Washington County, that the department of natural resources required to be abandoned because the wells were constructed improperly, possibly as a result of incorrect information provided by the department. Acceptance of this payment releases this state and its officers, employees, and agents from any further liability resulting from the failure to construct these wells in an appropriate manner.

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