March 11, 2008 – Introduced by Representative MOLEPSKE. Referred to Committee on Biofuels and Sustainable Energy.

AN ACT to create 16.045 (6) of the statutes; relating to: biodiesel fuel requirement in state-owned or state-leased trucks.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Administration (DOA) must generally require all state employees to use hybrid-electric vehicles or vehicles that operate on gasohol or other alternative fuels, which is defined to include biodiesel fuel, methanol, natural gas, electricity, or solar energy. Under this bill DOA must require all offices, departments, independent agencies, higher education institutions, associations, societies, the legislature, the courts, and other bodies in state government that use state-owned or state-leased diesel-burning trucks to use biodiesel fuel that contains at least 5 percent biodiesel fuel unless the requirement would be cost prohibitive.

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:

SECTION 1. 16.045 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

16.045 (6) The department shall require agencies that use state-owned or state-leased diesel-burning trucks to use biodiesel fuel in which the volume
percentage of the biodiesel fuel to the petroleum–based fuel is at least 5 percent
unless the cost of the requirement would prohibit such use.

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