

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2011 Assembly Bill 467

Senate Amendment 1

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2011 Assembly Bill 467 prohibits the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) from considering carbon dioxide emissions from the burning or decomposition of organic material, other than fossil fuels, in determining whether an air pollution construction permit or operation permit is required because of greenhouse gas emissions and in determining whether a stationary source is required to use best available control technology (BACT) for greenhouse gas emissions, as long as the prohibition is consistent with federal law.

Senate Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 467 revises this requirement to only allow DNR to consider these types of carbon dioxide emissions in determining whether these permits are required or whether BACT is required for greenhouse gas emissions if the carbon dioxide emissions are considered in a manner consistent with federal rules.

Legislative History

On February 8, 2012, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Environment introduced Senate Amendment 1, recommended the amendment for adoption, and recommended concurrence in Assembly Bill 467, as amended, by votes of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0.

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