AN ACT to renumber and amend 289.41 (3) (a) 3.; and to create 289.41 (3) (a) 3. a. to d. and 289.41 (3) (a) 4m. of the statutes; relating to: methods of establishing proof of financial responsibility for the closure and long–term care of a landfill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 289.41 (3) (a) 3. of the statutes is renumbered 289.41 (3) (a) 3. (intro.) and amended to read:

289.41 (3) (a) 3. (intro.) An established escrow account, the assets of which may include the following:

SECTION 2. 289.41 (3) (a) 3. a. to d. of the statutes are created to read:

289.41 (3) (a) 3. a. Securities issued by the federal government.

b. Debt securities issued by a commission, board, agency, or other instrumentality of the federal government that have a rating that is the highest rating category assigned by Standard & Poor’s Corporation, Moody’s Investors Service, or other similar nationally recognized rating agency.

c. State bonds issued under subch. I of ch. 18.

d. Corporate bonds that have a rating that is the highest rating category assigned by Standard & Poor’s Corporation, Moody’s Investors Service, or other similar nationally recognized rating agency. Corporate bonds may not be used to provide more than 50 percent of the required amount of proof of financial responsibility.

SECTION 3. 289.41 (3) (a) 4m. of the statutes is created to read:

289.41 (3) (a) 4m. An irrevocable trust, the corpus of which may include the following:

a. Securities issued by the federal government.

b. Debt securities issued by a commission, board, agency, or other instrumentality of the federal government that have a rating that is the highest rating category assigned by Standard & Poor’s Corporation, Moody’s Investors Service, or other similar nationally recognized rating agency.

c. State bonds issued under subch. I of ch. 18.

d. Corporate bonds that have a rating that is the highest rating category assigned by Standard & Poor’s Corporation, Moody’s Investors Service, or other similar nationally recognized rating agency. Corporate bonds may not be used to provide more than 50 percent of the required amount of proof of financial responsibility.