

State of Misconsin

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

LEGAL SECTION: REFERENCE SECTION: FAX:

(608) 266-3561 (608) 266-0341 (608) 264-6948 1 EAST MAIN, SUITE 200 P. O. BOX 2037 MADISON, WI 53701-2037

RICHARD CHAMPAGNE CHIEF

January 6, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To:

Representative Novak

From:

Joseph T. Kreye, Legal Section Administrator, (608) 266-2263

Subject:

Technical Memorandum to 2015 AB 608 (LRB-4070/1) by DOR

We received the attached technical memorandum relating to your bill. This copy is for your information and your file.

If you wish to discuss this memorandum or the necessity of revising your bill or preparing an amendment, please contact me.

MEMORANDUM

January 5, 2016

TO:

Joseph T. Kreye

Legislative Reference Bureau

FROM:

Travis Arthur

Department of Revenue

SUBJECT:

Technical Memorandum on AB-608: Relating to the Sales Tax Imposed on Ecosystem

Restoration Services.

The Department of Revenue has the following concerns with the bill:

- 1. The bill could be interpreted to only exclude the installation of plants, and not seeds, native to Wisconsin from the definition of landscaping services. The department suggests including seeds in Section 2 of the bill, to clarify that the installation of seeds of native plants are also excluded from the definition of landscaping services.
- 2. The department suggests replacing "savannah" with "savanna" to reflect industry-preferred spelling.

If you have questions regarding this technical memorandum, please contact Travis Arthur at (608) 266-8565 or travis.arthur@revenue.wi.gov.

CC: Representative Novak