2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 158

April 8, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives EDMING, BALLWEG, R. BROOKS, CZAJA, HORKLACHER, KLEEFISCH, KULP, MURPHY, MURTHA, QUINN and SKOWRONSKI, cosponsored by Senators PETROWSKI, GUDEX and TIFFANY. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage.

AN ACT relating to: repealing rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law provides for a financial assistance program, administered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), to fund point source pollution abatement projects. However, no financial assistance is permitted to be provided under this program after June 30, 1990. Current law also contains a financial assistance program, administered by DNR, for combined sewer overflow abatement projects. This program also has not provided financial assistance since 1990. The types of projects funded under both of these programs are now funded through the clean water fund program.

In addition, current law establishes a program that provides grants to repair or replace failing private on-site wastewater treatment systems. This program, initially administered by DNR, is now administered by the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS).

DNR has promulgated administrative rules to administer these three financial assistance programs. This bill eliminates the administrative rules that implement those programs.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
SECTION 1. Chapter NR 128 of the administrative code is repealed.

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