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**Senate Committee on Universities and Technical Colleges  
Assembly Bill 842/Senate Bill 718  
February 17, 2016**

Red Tape Review bill: Technical College System Board

Chairperson Harsdorf and Committee members:

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my support for our red tape review bills.

Last session, the Assembly began reviewing nearly 2,000 chapters of the Wisconsin Administrative Code to cut government red tape, remove burdensome rules, and simplify the code to improve everyday lives for our state's citizens.

Assembly Bill 842 pertains to the Technical College System (TCS) Board. I requested recommendations from the WTCS on outdated language, rules and references. After an Informational Hearing in the Assembly Committee on Colleges and Universities, I drafted legislation to clean up these areas of the Administrative Code. The bill before you accomplishes this clean-up effort.

Thank you for your attention.

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## State Senator Sheila Harsdorf

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To: Senate Committee on Universities and Technical Colleges

Fr: Senator Sheila Harsdorf

Re: Senate Bills 718 and 719: technical updates to the administrative code pertaining to the Wisconsin Technical College System and the University of Wisconsin System

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Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for your consideration of Senate Bill 718 and Senate Bill 719, legislation that would clean up outdated and obsolete administrative code language pertaining to the Wisconsin Technical College System and the University of Wisconsin System. These bills were drafted in response to changes proposed by the Technical College System and UW System.

The provisions of SB 718 delete obsolete language and references in administrative code and correct errors in regards to the Wisconsin Technical College System. The bill also eliminates some outdated rules and aligns administrative code with grant requirements established by the Wisconsin Technical College Board regarding faculty development grants.

SB 719 updates language to reflect changes made in the last state budget, 2015 Act 55, in regards to the University of Wisconsin System. It also eliminates obsolete language such as references to chapters of statute that have been repealed. The bill would standardize punctuation and terminology of certain terms in the code and allow the Board of Regents to provide certain types of notices electronically to reflect modern practices.

Representatives from the Technical College System and the UW System will also present testimony on these proposals. I urge your support of SB 718 and SB 719 as common-sense legislation that will streamline Wisconsin's higher education laws.