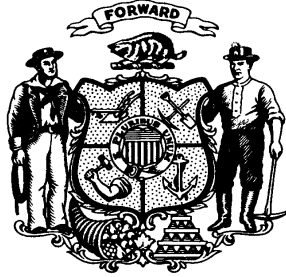


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**TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC BIOFUELS**

**FROM: Terry C. Anderson, Director**

**DATE: May 21, 2009**

I am pleased to report that the Joint Legislative Council, at its May 20 meeting, ***approved for introduction*** in the Senate the following bill draft recommended by your committee:

- **WLC: 0431/1**, relating to financial assistance related to bioenergy feedstocks, biorefineries, and conversion to biomass energy; the definition of "agricultural use" for purposes of determining the assessed value of a parcel of land; requiring a strategic bioenergy feedstock assessment; creation of a bioenergy advisory council; the agricultural diversification program; a biofuels training assessment; creation of a biofuels production facility regulation review council; exempting personal renewable fuel production and use from state taxes, fees, inspection requirements, and licensing requirements; an income tax credit for installing or retrofitting pumps that mix motor vehicle fuels from separate storage tanks; offering unblended gasoline to motor fuel dealers; state renewable motor vehicle fuels sales goals and required sales of renewable motor vehicle fuels; decreasing the use of petroleum-based transportation fuels by state vehicles, promoting the use of alternative fuels in flex fuel vehicles owned by the state, and promoting public alternative fuel refueling facilities; the duties of the office of energy independence; granting rule-making authority, making an appropriation and providing penalties. The motion to introduce was adopted by a vote of Ayes, 20; Noes, 1; and Absent, 1.

Also included in the above motion was the approval of the following letters:

- Letter to Governor Jim Doyle.
- Letter to the Wisconsin Congressional Delegation with a copy to other key members of Congress.

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A copy of the bill, the letters, and the Report to the Legislature will be sent to you at a later date. You will be notified of any hearings on the bill that may be scheduled by the standing committees to which the bill is referred.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact John Stolzenberg or Larry Konopacki at this office.

Thank you for your participation in the development of this legislation.

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