



State of Wisconsin
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**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2001 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 51**

January 10, 2002 – Offered by COMMITTEE ON RURAL AFFAIRS AND FORESTRY.

1 **Relating to:** memorializing the U.S. Congress to provide funding for research on
2 lumber salvaging by the Forest Products Laboratory of the U.S. Department of
3 Agriculture Forest Service.

PREFATORY NOTE: This joint resolution was prepared for the joint legislative council's special committee on the historic building code. The joint legislative council established the special committee and directed it to study the Wisconsin historic building code and its administration to ensure that the code effectively facilitates practical, cost-effective and safe historic rehabilitation projects, as well as any related issues.

4 Whereas, during the last century, millions of residential homes, commercial
5 and industrial buildings, bridges, and other structures have been built from sawn
6 lumber; and

7 Whereas, many of these structures are being demolished, resulting in the loss
8 of old growth, high quality lumber potentially available for reuse; and

9 Whereas, maximizing the reuse of lumber from demolished structures has
10 many positive environmental consequences such as reducing the volume of

1 construction waste disposed of in landfills, conserving natural resources, and easing
2 the pressure to harvest existing forested land; and

3 Whereas, the reuse of lumber salvaged from buildings depends on having viable
4 techniques for salvage operations and ready markets for used lumber; and

5 Whereas, the Forest Products Laboratory of the U.S. Department of
6 Agriculture Forest Service in Madison, Wisconsin, is involved in research projects for
7 deconstruction of surplus military buildings, including those at Badger Army
8 Ammunition Plant; and

9 Whereas, these research projects will have a direct benefit at military
10 installations by saving demolition costs, making quality used lumber available for
11 reuse, and providing opportunities for job training and economic development; and

12 Whereas, these research projects will provide a knowledge base for others who
13 may deconstruct existing buildings; now, therefore, be it

14 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of the
15 Wisconsin legislature urge the U.S. Congress to appropriate the money necessary to
16 fully fund research by the Forest Products Laboratory of the U.S. Department of
17 Agriculture Forest Service on salvaging lumber at Badger Army Ammunition Plant;
18 and, be it further

19 ***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
20 resolution to the President of the United States, to the U.S. secretary of agriculture
21 and to all members of the congressional delegation from this state.

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