



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Senate Joint Resolution 36

Senate Amendment 1

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Senate Joint Resolution 36 urges the U.S. and Canadian governments to prohibit diversion of Great Lakes water. The joint resolution states that “the members of the Wisconsin Legislature call upon the Congress and President of the United States and the Parliament and Prime Minister of Canada to act to prohibit the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water to foreign countries and to businesses, corporations, individuals, states, municipalities and other local governments located outside of the Great Lakes basin.”

Senate Amendment 1 substitutes “foreign businesses and foreign corporations” for “businesses, corporations, individuals, states, municipalities, and other local governments located outside of the Great Lakes basin.” Thus, under Senate Amendment 1, Senate Joint Resolution 36 calls for the prohibition on the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water to foreign countries and to foreign businesses and foreign corporations and is silent on the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water from the Great Lakes basin to other basins within the state or to other basins elsewhere in the United States.

The Senate Committee on Environmental Resources recommended on May 31, 2001 introduction and adoption of Senate Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 5, Noes, 0, and passage of Senate Joint Resolution 36, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 5, Noes, 0. Senate Amendment 1 was adopted by the Senate on a voice vote on October 4, 2001. Senate Joint Resolution 36, as amended, was adopted by the Senate on a voice vote on the same date.

On October 11, 2001, the Assembly Environment Committee concurred in Senate Joint Resolution 36, as adopted by the Senate, by a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 0.

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