

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Senate Bill 463	Senate Amendment 1
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2017 SENATE BILL 463

The federal Clean Air Act requires reformulated gasoline to be sold in certain "covered areas" throughout the United States, including six counties in the Milwaukee area. Although states may "opt in" to reformulated gasoline requirements in specified additional areas, Wisconsin has not done so. [42 U.S.C. s. 7545 (k).]

2017 Senate Bill 463 ("the bill") requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to request a waiver from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding provisions of the federal Clean Air Act relating to the sale of reformulated gasoline, and prohibits the DNR from requiring the sale of reformulated gasoline if such a waiver is granted.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 specifies that, in addition to relevant provisions of the Clean Air Act, the DNR must seek a waiver from the EPA regarding relevant provisions of the State Implementation Plan (SIP).¹

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendment 1 was introduced by Senator Stroebel on December 12, 2017. On January 9, 2018, the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Technology and Consumer Protection voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 3; Noes, 2; and to recommend passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 3; Noes, 2.

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¹ The SIP is the state's implementation of Clean Air Act requirements at the state level. The SIP (and any modifications to it) must be approved by the EPA.