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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,  
TO 2007 SENATE BILL 28**

January 23, 2008 – Offered by Representative HUBLER.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 1, line 3: after “lumber” insert “and establishing a training program  
3 in the grading of lumber”.

4 **2.** Page 2, line 1: before that line insert:

5 “**SECTION 1b.** 36.25 (47) of the statutes is created to read:

6 **36.25 (47)** LUMBER GRADING TRAINING PROGRAM. (a) In this subsection:

7 1. “Department” means the department of natural resources.

8 2. “Department employee” means an employee of the department who is  
9 knowledgeable in the marketing of forest products and who is selected by the  
10 secretary to act under this subsection.

11 (b) The forest products outreach program at the University of  
12 Wisconsin–Stevens Point, in cooperation with the department, shall establish a  
13 basic lumber grading training program for individuals and establish the general

1 requirements for successfully completing the training program, including  
2 requirements for initial certification and recertification. The training program shall  
3 be offered in the extension on an annual basis. The faculty at the forestry outreach  
4 program, in cooperation with the department employee, shall develop and establish  
5 the content of the training program and shall determine the certification  
6 requirements for instructors teaching the training program. Instructors shall be  
7 certified by the department.

8 (c) The department, in cooperation with the board, shall establish a procedure  
9 under which the department determines successful completion of the training  
10 program and issues certifications of accomplishment to the individuals who are  
11 certified or recertified as having successfully completed the training program.  
12 Under the procedure, the department employee may delegate to the program  
13 instructors the process of determining successful completion and issuing certificates  
14 of accomplishment.

15 (d) An individual holding an initial certificate of accomplishment shall be  
16 recertified under the training program every 5 years.

17 (e) The department employee may exempt from the training program an  
18 individual who has any of the following:

19 1. A bachelor's or postgraduate degree in forest products or wood science and  
20 technology.

21 2. A degree that is equivalent to a degree specified in subd. 1.

22 3. A level of experience or background in understanding wood properties,  
23 construction, and design that the department employee determines to be equivalent  
24 to the level of understanding held by an individual who successfully completes the  
25 training program.

1 (f) The department employee shall issue a certificate of accomplishment to each  
2 individual who meets the requirement under par. (e). A certificate of  
3 accomplishment issued under this subdivision applies only to the initial certification  
4 requirement and an individual receiving such a certificate must be recertified as  
5 required under par. (d).”.

6 **3.** Page 2, line 1: substitute “**SECTION 1m**” for “**SECTION 1**”.

7 **4.** Page 2, line 20: after that line insert:

8 “(bn) A person may not provide a written certification under par. (b) unless the  
9 person has been issued a certificate of accomplishment evidencing certification or  
10 recertification under the lumber grading training program under s. 36.25 (47) and  
11 the person has received the certificate within the 5 years before providing the written  
12 certification. The person shall attach to the written certification a copy of his or her  
13 certificate of accomplishment.”.

14 **5.** Page 3, line 22: after that line insert:

15 “(bn) A person may not provide a written certification under par. (b) unless the  
16 person has been issued a certificate of accomplishment evidencing certification or  
17 recertification under the lumber grading training program under s. 36.25 (47) and  
18 the person has received the certificate within the 5 years before providing the written  
19 certification. The person shall attach to the written certification a copy of his or her  
20 certificate of accomplishment.”.

21 (END)