

# Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce: Testifies in favor of mining moratorium repeal

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MADISON – On Thursday, WMC General Counsel and Director of Environmental and Energy Policy Lucas Vebber testified before the Senate Committee on Sporting Heritage and Forestry in support of Senate Bill 395.

The legislation would open the door to game-changing economic development and career opportunities for northern Wisconsin. SB 395 repeals the mining moratorium while ensuring public involvement and the protection of existing water supplies.

“It has been more than 20 years since a mine was permitted in Wisconsin,” Vebber said in his testimony. “Our neighbors are jumping at the opportunity to bring in these jobs because they know it can be economically beneficial and environmentally sustainable. We can do the same right here in Wisconsin.”

The bill is authored by Sen. Tom Tiffany (R-Hazelhurst) and has 35 co-sponsors in the Senate and Assembly.

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