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Bill to Support Planning to Move Green Bay Coal Piles Passes Senate Committee

MADISON-- Senator Robert Cowles (R-Green Bay) released the following statement after the Senate Committee on Transportation, Veterans and Military Affairs passed 2019 Senate Bill 295 with a vote of 4-1. This bill provides the City of Green Bay with \$1.2 million from the Harbor Assistance Program for detailed engineering and environmental work at the WPS Pulliam Plant Site that will pave the way to the eventual relocation of the C. Reiss Coal piles and development of an intermodal port freight facility that serves Northeast Wisconsin. 2019 Assembly Bill 325, companion to Senate Bill 295, passed the Assembly with a vote of 69-27 on October 10, 2019.

“I want to thank Chairman Petrowski and committee members for voting in support of Senate Bill 295. The passage of this legislation through the Senate Committee moves this one step closer to passage. Utilizing funding from the Harbor Assistance Program to establish a suitable port in the new parcel at the Pulliam Plant and lead to the eventual drawdown of the coal piles on the banks of the Fox River would greatly improve Green Bay’s commercial opportunities and riverfront. I look forward to working with Senate Leaders to bring this bill to the Senate floor for a vote and onto the Governor to sign it into law.”

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