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## **PFAS Prevention Bill Passes Legislature**

**Madison**--State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette) released the following statement:

“Today the State Assembly and Senate voted to pass Senate Bill 310 in a bipartisan manner,” said Rep. Nygren. “This is a bill that Senator Rob Cowles (R-Green Bay) and I authored with the intent to curb the use of firefighting foam containing PFAS. PFAS contamination of groundwater is a serious issue in northeastern Wisconsin and a growing problem in other areas of the state due in large part to the use of firefighting foam.”

Under the bill, using and training with Class B and dual-action firefighting foams containing intentionally-added PFAS would generally be prohibited. The prohibition does not apply to first responders using the foam in emergency firefighting or fire prevention operations. The foam could also be used in certain testing activities, but only if appropriate containment, treatment, disposal and storage methods, as determined by rule by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), are in place. The bill and its amendments were drafted with input provided by DNR.

“While this is not the only solution to PFAS contamination, it is a great step forward,” said Rep. Nygren. “I now call on Governor Evers to sign this bill into law. I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to continue to address this problem.”

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