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SEN. ANDRÉ JACQUE NAMED WISCONSIN LEAD IN NATIONAL BIPARTISAN GROUP OF CONSERVATION LAWMAKERS

MADISON...Sen. André Jacque (R-DePere) will serve as Wisconsin lead for a national group of state lawmakers to advance a pro-environment and conservation agenda, he announced today.

“From issues such as workman’s compensation and unemployment insurance, the federal government has adopted policies that were first developed and proven in state legislatures,” Sen. Jacque said. “Today’s state leaders can follow these examples by taking the lead in promoting policies that preserve and protect the environment, which does not stop at state lines.”

The National Caucus of Environmental Legislators (NCEL) brings together state lawmakers to pool their knowledge and experiences to coordinate efforts to shape federal policy, or to take coordinated action in areas that federal government has yet to address.

Sen. Jacque has always been active in promoting conservation initiatives that protect the air, lands, and water on which our lives and livelihoods depend. He has worked part-time with a small environmental consulting company in Green Bay, and is particularly involved in brownfield redevelopment and water quality legislation. His environmental leadership also includes:

- Currently serving as the Great Lakes Legislative Caucus’ Chair of the Nutrient Management Task Force
- Member of the Executive Committee for the binational Great Lakes/St. Lawrence River Legislative Caucus (GLLC)
- Inaugural fellow of the GLLC’s Birkholz Institute and serves on its steering committee
- Member of the Wisconsin DNR’s Small Business Environmental Council (SBEC) since 2013
- Former member of the National Association of Local Government Environmental Professional’s (NALGEP) Grants Management Task Force, as well as the Sustainable Greater Green Bay Task Force.

“Our choice is not between our environment and our economy,” Sen Jacque said. “We need to protect the environment for future generations precisely because so many of Wisconsin’s economic sectors and jobs - from agriculture to tourism and forestry - depend on it.”

The National Caucus of Environmental Legislators is a bipartisan, nonprofit organization of state legislators that fosters opportunities for over 1,000 conservation-minded lawmakers from all 50 states to partner on environmental policies.

Senator André Jacque represents Northeast Wisconsin’s First Senate District, consisting of Door and Kewaunee Counties and portions of Brown, Calumet, Manitowoc, and Outagamie counties.

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