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## **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS**

House Bill 4651

Sponsor: Rep. Janet Kukuk

**Committee: Conservation and Outdoor** 

Recreation

**Complete to 10-28-99** 

## A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4651 AS INTRODUCED 5-11-99

The bill would add a provision to Part 55 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), which regulates air pollution control, to prohibit the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) from the following actions, unless the U.S. Senate ratified the Kyoto Protocol and federal legislation was enacted to implement the protocol:

- Proposing or promulgating a rule intended in whole or in part to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, unless the legislature enacted specific enabling legislation for such a rule.
- Expending funds or designing policies or programs to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases according to the provisions of the Kyoto Protocol.
- Submitting any legally enforceable commitments related to the reduction of greenhouse gases to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or any other federal agency.

"Greenhouse gases" would be defined under the bill to mean the gases listed as such in Annex A to the Kyoto Protocol. "Kyoto Protocol" would refer to the Kyoto Protocol to the U.S. Framework Convention on Climate Change, Conference of the Parties, 3D SESS., Decision 1/CP.3, FCCC/CP/1997/7/ADD.1, at 7 [March 18, 1998].

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