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Kuglitsch, Assembly Approve of Job Creating Mining Legislation

Bill will assist mining industry create thousands of jobs, millions in revenue

Madison—Representative Kuglitsch released the following statement after the Wisconsin Assembly passed Assembly Bill 426. AB 426 would allow for a iron ore mine to be placed in Iron County, Wisconsin.

“We live in a state where mining has a rich history and visiting Hurley confirmed that with testimony from residents whose grandparents and parents were proud to have worked in the mine. These people look forward to the day that they and their children have the opportunity to work in an industry that is embedded in the culture of Iron County. This was evident with the many signs displayed throughout the county that read ‘Mining, Our History, Our Culture, Our Future.’”

“I truly feel it is time for Wisconsin to reunite with its past and do what is right for its citizens. Assembly Bill 426 is one of the most important pieces of legislation that will be heard this year and I am pleased that we have done our duty to amend and pass this legislation. In a short time we will see the creation of thousands of jobs and millions of dollars of revenue.”

“The benefits of this bill go beyond northern Wisconsin, as we will see the ripple effect of job creation across the state. Two of the largest mining equipment manufacturers in the world are located in Milwaukee County. Ironic how Wisconsin is home to the world headquarters of Joy-Global and Caterpillar, two very large employers, yet we have no active iron mines in the state. It is also ironic that the flag of Wisconsin has a miner on it and again we have no active iron mines as we have had in our past.”

Assembly Bill 426 passed with a vote of 59-38.

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