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The Honorable Senator Neil Kedzie
Chair, Senate Natural Resources and Environment Committee
Room 313 South, State Capitol Madison, WI 53708

RE: Senate Bill 411 relating to hunting and trapping of wolves, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, and making an appropriation weapons that may be used to hunt certain animals and requirements for establishing open hunting seasons for those animals

Dear Chair Kedzie and members of the Senate Natural Resources and Environment Committee:

At the 2008 Department of Natural Resources Annual Spring Fish & Wildlife Rule Hearings & Wisconsin Conservation Congress Annual County Meetings held on Monday, April 14, 2008, the Conservation Congress asked **Question 71 - Wolf Management**; *Do you favor the Department of Natural Resources, Wisconsin Conservation Congress, and the Wisconsin Legislature develop a season framework and harvest goals to maintain the wolf population within management objectives?* This question passed in all 72 counties, failed in 0 counties and tied in 0 counties.

The Conservation Congress supports SB-411 on behalf of our constituents that voted in favor of Question 71 at the Annual Spring Hearings held in 2008.

Respectfully,

Rob Bohmann, Chair
Wisconsin Conservation Congress

As established by Wisconsin State Statutes, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress is officially recognized as the only natural resources advisory body in the state where citizens elect delegates to represent their interests on natural resources issues on a local and statewide level to the Natural Resources Board and the Department of Natural Resources. Their mission is to represent the citizens of Wisconsin by working with the Natural Resources Board and the Department of Natural Resources to effectively manage Wisconsin's greatest asset, our abundant natural resources, for present and future generations to enjoy.