

Citizen Resolution # 660822

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Restore Local Control by allowing counties to develop ordinances to protect our lakes, rivers, and wetlands

Currently counties are not able develop ordinances to protect lakes, rivers and wetlands.
Supporting statements: A buffer is a vegetative strip of land containing grass, shrubs, or trees, located adjacent to a lake, stream, or wetland.

A buffer improves water quality by filtering runoff and reducing sediment and nutrient contamination to water bodies.

A buffer provides food and habitat for many forms of wildlife.

Maintaining water quality and improving wildlife is important to local residents, tourists, and sportsmen.

The Wisconsin State Legislature has weakened zoning ordinances by removing local control and limiting a county's ability to develop regulations that are unique to its environmental concerns.

Would you support legislation to restore local control by allowing counties to develop ordinances to protect our lakes, rivers, and wetlands.

Additional Information provided by author:

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