

2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 725

January 24, 2008 – Introduced by Representatives STRACHOTA, WOOD, SHERIDAN, KERKMAN, BLACK, SEIDEL, JESKEWITZ, FIELDS, MASON, MUSSER, HILGENBERG, MURSAU, HINTZ, GRIGSBY, SHILLING, MOLEPSKE, BERCEAU, SOLETSKI, GUNDERSON, SINICKI, SMITH, HEBL, PARISI and HUBLER, cosponsored by Senators MILLER, LASSA, SULLIVAN, KANAVAS, RISSER, HARSDF, BRESKE, KAPANKE, LEHMAN, DARLING, CARPENTER, OLSEN, HANSEN, KEDZIE, PLALE, WIRCH, ROESSLER, COGGS, ROBSON, A. LASEE, KREITLOW and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

- 1 **AN ACT to create** 77.54 (50) and 100.20 (1w) of the statutes; **relating to:** sales
2 and use tax exemption for energy-efficient products purchased in conjunction
3 with Earth Day.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill provides a sales and use tax exemption for products that satisfy the energy efficiency guidelines under the federal Energy Star program. The exemption applies to any item intended for residential use that is purchased during the seven-day period beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding April 21 and for which the sales price is less than \$1,500. The exemption does not apply to items purchased by a contractor or subcontractor or to items that are used primarily for entertainment purposes. Under the bill, it is an unfair method of competition or an unfair trade practice for a contractor or subcontractor to claim an exemption for an item purchased for other than personal use by the contractor or subcontractor.

Because this bill relates to an exemption from state or local taxes, it may be referred to the Joint Survey Committee on Tax Exemptions for a report to be printed as an appendix to the bill.

For further information see the ***state and local*** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

