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(Madison, WI) – Today, Representative Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) signed on as a co-sponsor to two important environmental bills. AB 548 would re-establish a Wisconsin conservation corps utilizing existing budget authorization in this biennium.

"The conservation corps idea is not a new one, and it seems that now is a good time to reintroduce it. We are growing a culture of work in Wisconsin. This is an excellent way to get young people connected with a variety of potential career opportunities," stated Rep. Allen.

AB 701 would extend the benefits of the successful Voluntary Party Liability Exemption (VPLE) program run by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to help clean up Wisconsin's riverfronts and lakebeds.

"Extending the liability limitation for voluntary, DNR-supervised clean-up of lakebeds and riverbeds will help improve our environment and help stimulate the economic re-development of some long-vacant, otherwise untouchable properties," emphasized Rep. Allen.

The Senate version of AB 701, known as SB 545, was unanimously endorsed by the Senate committee and is before the full body today.

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