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### **Rep. Bob Ziegelbauer - statement on AB 649, "the Global Warming Bill"**

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## **Global Warming Bill, a Job Killer We Can't Afford**

"AB649, the "Global Warming" bill introduced this week in the Legislature is a proposal we in Wisconsin simply cannot afford. Drafted in response to widely disputed theories of man made climate change it would lead us further down the road toward poverty without any assurance at all of impact on the world's climate. It's an expensive mandate laden threat to our economic future.

On track to be considered early this year, the bill could not come at a worse time. Our Northeastern Wisconsin communities have long prospered in an economy featuring many high paying, high quality manufacturing jobs. This bill would compound last year's tragic mistake of loading billions of dollars of new taxes onto business at a time of national economic downturn, threatening the permanent loss of tens of thousands of these jobs, and accelerate the job killing high cost energy policy that in just the last decade has seen Wisconsin electricity costs go from the lowest in the Midwest to the highest. The "green jobs" touted as a by product of this proposal are merely another disheartening example of the "one step forward, five steps back" approach to job creation currently embraced by the Legislature by adding a few new jobs after decimating the manufacturing sector of our economy. Manitowoc County's economy cannot afford the damage this bill would do.

The climate we ought to be most concerned about is one we can actually do something about, the "Business Climate"! We need to change direction, now and embrace pro growth policies that encourage investment, permanent job creation, and expanding opportunities for prosperity before it's too late. We will all benefit"