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Senator Petrowski's Farm Implement Bill Passes State Senate *Bill headed to Governor's desk*

Madison, WI... Today, the Wisconsin State Senate passed a measure authored by Senator Jerry Petrowski (*R-Marathon*) and Representative Keith Ripp (*R-Lodi*) designed to make needed adjustments to new regulations governing the use of large agricultural equipment.

"Since the enactment of Act 377, we have continued to work closely with stakeholders in the agricultural industry, local governments, and the Department of Transportation to carefully monitor implementation," said Senator Petrowski. "This bill is intended to be a clean-up package of noncontroversial but necessary changes that address unforeseen issues that came up during implementation and to clarify ambiguous provisions in the law."

Last week, the measure received a unanimous vote in the State Assembly, and received support from representatives of local governments and a wide array of farming stakeholders, including the Wisconsin Farm Bureau.

"Senator Jerry Petrowski and Representative Keith Ripp have once again led the way in forging together an Implements of Husbandry bill that helps give farmers the ability to legally operate overweight and over length farm machinery on Wisconsin roadways and the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation is very appreciative of their efforts," said Farm Bureau President Jim Holte. "Farm Bureau thanks the authors for their leadership and their commitment to finding a solution that works best for both farmers and local governments."

The bill now heads to the desk of Governor Scott Walker, where it is expected to be signed into law.

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