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## **Lasee's Private Property Rights Package Becomes Law** **SB 459 and AB 582 protect private property rights and encourage economic opportunity**

MADISON – Today, State Senator Frank Lasee's (R-De Pere) Property Rights Package, [SB 459/AB 582](#), was signed into law by Governor Walker. The bills, which clarify and expand the rights of private property owners were signed at De Keyser Construction in Humboldt (SB 459) and J & S General Contracting in Osceola (AB 582).

**“By signing these bills into law today, we’ve reached a more reasonable balance between private property rights and government agency regulations while still protecting the environment. Private property rights are too important to be consistently dismissed by unelected bureaucrats; they are a fundamental piece of what makes our country great. Private property needs to be protected and this will put people to work,” Lasee said.**

At the bill signings, private property owners shared their thoughts on the bills as they became law:

“Senator Lasee gets it. People shouldn't need to jump through hoops to do good things that don't harm the environment, and government shouldn't waste resources on those things,” said Chuck Boyle, a property owner that's been struggling with government red-tape while trying to remove invasive species from his shoreline property.

“This bill will make it easier for people like me to remodel existing lakeshore homes. Doing so is better for the environment than allowing them to become rundown or replacing existing homes with new ones,” said Ed Hayward about his family's longstanding cottage.

“Without Senator Lasee's help, we might not have been successful in building our facility in Humboldt. The provisions in Senator Lasee's package are going to make it easier for job creators to build businesses in Wisconsin,” said Kurt De Keyser, owner of De Keyser Construction.

**“These bills make common sense changes to the law, simplifying the wetland permit process and clarifying that property owners will have the same standing in court as DNR and other agencies. Throughout the process, we worked with the DNR, environmental advocates, local governments, sportsman's associations, and other groups to address many of their concerns in these bills to reach a balance and consensus law that protects the environment, focuses DNR resources on the most sensitive matters, and improves private property rights. This bill is a great step Forward,” said Senator Lasee.**

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