EXHIBIT 5
MADISON, WI – Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald (R-Juneau) released the following statement today on the state of Wisconsin’s redistricting process:

“Our state has a constitutional requirement to redraw the legislative lines every ten years. In order to make sure the new map complies with state and federal laws, we have hired legal counsel.

“In years past, partisan differences have forced the courts to get involved, at a hefty cost to the taxpayers. This year, the new map will go through the legislative process like any other bill, the same way 32 other states do redistricting. The Democrats know full well they are able to participate in that legislative process, and they know that they already have the same technology and legislative tools to do so.”
Assembly Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald released the following statement regarding action by the Committee on Assembly Organization regarding decennial redistricting:

“Every ten years the legislature has the constitutional obligation to redistrict legislative and congressional lines in order to reflect changes in our state’s population. Yesterday’s action to authorize the retention of legal counsel will ensure that the map passed by the legislature will meet the constitutional and statutory requirements set forth for redistricting.”