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HESSELBEIN STATEMENT ON PFAS COMMITTEE VOTE

MADISON – State Senator Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) released the following statement after the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy voted on Senate Bill 312, relating to programs and requirements to address PFAS contamination:

"There are many good parts of this bill such as supporting our municipalities and private well owners with grants to fight Forever Chemicals. But I cannot support legislation that limits the authority of the DNR to combat PFAS contamination around the state. Prohibiting the DNR from requiring action to address PFAS contamination unless PFAS levels exceed promulgated standards does not help when there are no promulgated groundwater standards. Instead of limiting DNR authority, we should be empowering them to be able to help communities across Wisconsin who are experiencing dangerous levels of PFAS contamination in their water."

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