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Rep. Kurtz, Sen. Testin Statement on Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Reauthorization in 2025-2027 State Budget

MADISON, Wis. – Ahead of the Joint Finance Committee’s executive session scheduled for this morning, Rep. Tony Kurtz (R-Wonewoc) and Sen. Patrick Testin (R-Stevens Point) released the following statement:

“Today, the Joint Finance Committee will be taking action on the budget for the Department of Natural Resources, but we will not be including the reauthorization of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program in those actions. After discussions with our caucuses and several stakeholder groups, we feel it is best to focus on the reauthorization of Knowles-Nelson separately from the budget. We are committed to getting something done and not taking action today gives us the best opportunity to ensure the bill for the program has the time and attention it needs for future success. We look forward to continuing the conversations throughout the next several weeks.”

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