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Senator Felzkowski Pushes through Bills that Specifically Help the 12th Senate District

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Madison, WI – On Tuesday, Senator Mary Felzkowski (R-Tomahawk) announced that three bills specific to the 12th Senate District will be headed to the Governor’s desk for a signature. These bills include Senate Bill 518, Senate Bill 624, and Senate Bill 915.

Senate Bill 518 provides \$2 million economic development grants to counties housing a University of Wisconsin System two-year branch campus that has been shut down – including UW Marinette. Because the counties own these campuses, and the UW System is their sole lessee, the buildings and surrounding area are rarely suitable for private sales. This funding will allow Marinette County to rehabilitate their property, make a sale, and return the land and/or buildings back to the property tax roll.

Senate Bill 624 addresses an inequity in current law requiring municipal solid waste facilities to meet proof of financial responsibility requirements that exceed those of privately-owned landfills and public utilities. This bill provides beyond sufficient safeguards, while limiting the burdensome costs on taxpayers that foot the bill for municipal-owned facilities – including the Mar-Oco Landfill in Crivitz.

Senate Bill 915 extends the life of the Tax Incremental District (TID) #4 in the City of Antigo for six years, with the singular goal of ensuring the TID can pay off its loan from the city. This TID has been instrumental from start to finish by originally keeping the Antigo Cheese Company in town, helping them expand and eventually become Sartori Cheese, helping CoVantage Credit Union create more than 100 jobs, and cleaning up our downtown area.

Senator Felzkowski commented: “It’s awesome when our constituents bring us ideas and ask us to help find solutions – and it’s an even better feeling when we’re able to work together to get these proposals across the finish line. All three of these bills have now passed through both houses of the Legislature, and I look forward to watching the Governor sign them into law.”

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