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2015 SENATE BILL 7

January 22, 2015 – Introduced by Senators HARSDF, GUDX, LEMAHIEU, TIFFANY, MARKLEIN, LASEE, OLSEN and BEWLEY, cosponsored by Representatives CZAJA, NOVAK, BALLWEG, BERNIER, JARCHOW, KLEEFISCH, KNODL, KNUDSON, MACCO, MURSAU, MURTHA, A. OTT, SANFELIPPO, SKOWRONSKI, STEFFEN and THIESFELDT. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 25.46 (5L) and 287.31; and *to amend* 287.21 (intro.) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** the newspaper recycling fee and the recycled content of
3 newsprint used in newspapers.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a newspaper publisher is required to pay a newspaper recycling fee based on the cost of newsprint used to print the newspaper, unless at least 33 percent of the fiber in the newsprint is derived from postconsumer waste.

This bill eliminates the newspaper recycling fee and the minimum percentage of postconsumer waste content in newsprint.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 25.46 (5L) of the statutes is repealed.

5 **SECTION 2.** 287.21 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 **287.21 Statewide education program.** (intro.) The department shall
7 collect, prepare and disseminate information and conduct educational and training

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1 programs designed to assist in the implementation of solid waste management
2 programs under ss. 287.01 to ~~287.31~~ 287.27, enhance municipal and county solid
3 waste management programs under s. 287.09 (2) (a) and inform the public of the
4 relationship among an individual's consumption of goods and services, the
5 generation of different types and quantities of solid waste and the implementation
6 of the solid waste management priorities in s. 287.05 (12). The department shall
7 prepare the information and programs on a statewide basis for the following groups:

8 **SECTION 3.** 287.31 of the statutes is repealed.

9 (END)