



**Wisconsin
County Code
Administrators**

February 12, 2008

Representative Scott Gunderson
Chairperson / Committee on Natural Resources
Room 7 West, State Capitol
PO Box 8952
Madison WI 53708

RE: AB 782 relating to a floodplain zoning ordinance exemption for construction activities related to the veterans memorial building in the city of Burlington in Racine County.

Dear Representative Scott Gunderson:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Wisconsin County Code Administrators (WCCA). WCCA is an Association of County Planning, Zoning and Sanitary Code Officials throughout the State of Wisconsin who are responsible for administering many land use and environmental health regulations including floodplain zoning ordinances.

WCCA opposes Assembly Bill 782.

Issues relating to specific property exemptions from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) NR 116, Wisconsin's Floodplain Management Program is bad public policy. Specific property exemptions from floodplain zoning requirements promotes inconsistency in the administration of the regulations and is contrary to public health and safety.

WCCA respectfully requests the Committee on Natural Resources to oppose passage of this Bill.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence please feel free to contact me at 715-369-6176.

Sincerely,

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