

Each year, the federal government spends billions of taxpayer dollars on infrastructure projects that are not subject to Buy America requirements. The result is American taxpayer money being spent to buy foreign products, supporting workers in other countries.

That is why Senator Tammy Baldwin introduced new legislation that supports American workers and businesses.

Senator Baldwin's *Made in America Act*:

- Identifies federal programs that provide funding or financial assistance to infrastructure projects not currently subject to Buy America requirements (\$10 billion in federal spending annually);
- Requires that all steel, iron, manufactured products, non-ferrous metals, plastic, concrete and aggregates, glass (including optical glass in broadband), lumber, and drywall used in these programs is produced in the United States.
- Requires that all of the manufacturing processes used in making the material be completed in the United States in order to qualify as 'American made';
- Requires the Department of Commerce to consider how many American jobs are created when setting its 'American made' standards.

This legislation is supported by: AFL-CIO; IBEW; BRS (Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen); United Steelworkers; the Alliance for American Manufacturing; the American Foundry Society; the Wisconsin Cast Metals Association, the Precision Metalforming Association; the Forging Industry Association; the Non-Ferrous Founders Society; North America's Building Trades Unions (NABTU); and the International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers (BAC).

Wisconsin companies that support the legislation include: Neenah Foundry (Neenah); Grey Iron Foundry (Manitowoc); The CA Lawton Co. (De Pere); Fives Giddings and Lewis, LLC (Fond du Lac); De Pere Foundry (De Pere); Green Bay Drop Forge (Green Bay); Nicolet Plastics, Inc. (Mountain); Walker Forge, Inc. (Clintonville); Felker Brothers (Marshfield); Supreme Manufacturing (Beaver Dam); Superior Die Set Corporation (Oak Creek); A to Z RentAll and Sales (Madison); McFarlanes' Retail Services Center (Sauk City); and Scot Forge (Clinton).

The *Made in America Act* is cosponsored by Senators Tina Smith (D-MN), Bernie Sanders (I-VT), Jeff Merkley (D-OR), Chris Murphy (D-CT), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) and Dick Durbin (D-IL).

This legislation complements other Buy America legislation that Senator Baldwin has introduced, including:

- Senator Baldwin's *Made in America Shipbuilding Act* (S. 2731) strengthens Buy American requirements for the federal government's purchase of ships by expanding current law to cover all federal agencies, all classes of ships and substantially more shipboard components, including items made in Wisconsin.
- Senator Baldwin's *Made in America Water Infrastructure Act* requires that 100 percent American-made iron and steel is used in water infrastructure projects funded by the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund is a federal-state partnership that acts as an infrastructure bank to help ensure safe drinking water all 50 states and territories.