

## Final Report

**MLA Wayne Drysdale's Mission to Madison, Wisconsin  
Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership Development  
August 11-16, 2011**

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### **Overview:**

Wayne Drysdale, MLA Grande Prairie-Wapiti, participated as Alberta's designate to the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership Development (BILLD), held in Madison, Wisconsin, August 11-16, 2011. The BILLD program is conducted by the Council of State Governments Midwestern Legislative Conference (CSG-Midwest).

### **Mission Objectives:**

The mission was successful in meeting a number of objectives:

1. Participated in the BILLD program designed for new CSG-Midwest and associate member legislators.
2. Promoted Alberta's important and growing role as a secure and responsible energy supplier to the U.S.
3. Profiled Alberta as a desirable partner for trade and investment and a strong supporter of greater economic co-operation with the U.S.
4. Developed contacts with a broad range of U.S. and western Canada legislators and decision makers who are influential on a regional and national basis.
5. Promoted and strengthened Alberta-U.S. ties in a broad range of interests.

### **Results:**

MLA Drysdale participated in the four-day program designed exclusively for newer legislators to develop the skills necessary to become effective leaders, informed decision makers and astute policy analysts. In addition, the program worked with legislators to analyze a variety of public policy issues that included education, health care, and energy.

The mission provided an opportunity to develop contacts with key state legislators and to assure them of Alberta's continued commitment and capacity to serve as a secure, reliable, environmentally responsible supplier of energy to the U.S.

### **Delegation:**

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