

## **LEED Construction Incentives to be Discussed in Grand Rapids**

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Senator Jason Allen, chair of the Senate Commerce and Tourism Committee, will discuss the issue of granting financial incentives for construction of LEED Certified buildings at 9 a.m. Monday, February 8, at The Rapid Central Station, 250 Grandville Ave., S.W., Grand Rapids.

Over the past two years, Warner Norcross & Judd partner John Byl chaired a Sustainable Construction Financial Incentives Legislation Workgroup that culminated in the proposed legislation to be discussed. The legislation will provide financial incentives to construction and rehabilitation projects that achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification. It is designed to make Michigan a leader in green design of new and rehabilitated buildings. More information about the proposed legislation is available here: <a href="http://www.wnj.com/financial">http://www.wnj.com/financial</a> incentives for sustainable construction-9-23-2009/.

If you're interested in this topic, we encourage you to attend the discussion. To reserve a spot in the meeting, please contact Andy Johnston at <a href="mailto:johnstona@grandrapids.org">johnstona@grandrapids.org</a> or 616.771.0335.

Warner Norcross & Judd LLP is pleased to offer our clients counsel on both economic incentives for sustainability and green/LEED real estate issues. If you would like more information regarding this draft legislation, contact John Byl, cochair of the Economic Incentives Group, at <a href="mailto:jbyl@wnj.com">jbyl@wnj.com</a> or 616.752.2149, or Troy Cumings, who also helped draft the legislation, at <a href="mailto:tcumings@wnj.com">tcumings@wnj.com</a> or 616.752.2731.