

## John A. Heaton

He is in his 7th term as a state representative, and the WIPP project is in his legislative district. He has been either chair or vice chair of the Radioactive and Hazardous Waste Committee since being in the legislature. This committee is one of the very important lynch pins in terms of communications to the legislature with its oversight responsibilities for WIPP, the Natl. Labs, the Environment Dept. and the Energy Dept. of the state. At the national level he is vice chair of the NCSL Energy committee, where he chairs the Environmental Management oversight sub-committee and the High Level Waste Working Group. He also serves on the Energy Supply Task Force, and he will be chairman of the NCSL Energy Committee beginning in August.