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Assembly Bill 56

Relating to: the employment of a legislative council staff attorney who is fluent in speaking, reading, and writing the Spanish language.

By Representatives Turner, Young, Coggs, Berceau, Underheim and Colon; cosponsored by Senators Carpenter and Welch.

February 13, 2003 Referred to Committee on Government Operations and Spending Limitations.

November 19, 2003 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (6) Representatives F. Lasee, Loeffelholz, Musser, Weber, Zepnick and Wasserman.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Rep. Robert Turner, 61st Assembly District

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- None.

Registrations Against

None.

March 11, 2004 Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

Lance Burri
Committee Clerk



Robert Turner

Assembly Democratic Caucus Chair

STATE REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE 61ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Testimony of State Representative Robert Turner on Assembly Bill 56
Assembly Committee on Government Operations and Spending Limitations
November 19, 2003

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to share my support for Assembly Bill 56, relating to the employment of a legislative council staff attorney who is fluent in speaking, reading, and writing the Spanish Language. I would also like to thank Chairman Lasee for holding this public hearing.

Legislation that is being considered today, Assembly Bill 56 (AB 56), is a proposal that will help ensure that Spanish-speaking Wisconsin residents are part of the legislative process. Many of my constituents speak Spanish, and I feel it is important to have a Spanish interpreter available in the legislature to translate when Spanish-speaking constituents want to testify on bills, participate in conference calls, or submit written materials.

This bill has no fiscal note. In these tight fiscal times, requiring these qualifications in a Legislative Council Attorney makes the most sense and ensures that this service will be readily available to all our Spanish-speaking constituents.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to share my views on bills being discussed at today's hearing.

