

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Joint committee on Finance

Assembly Bill 655

Relating to: administrative rules, guidelines, policies, and hearings; air pollution control; structures, deposits, and other activities in or near navigable waters; notice, hearing, and review procedures related to permits to place structures and materials and to conduct activities in or near navigable waters; nonmetallic mining reclamation financial assurances; strategic energy assessments; partial deregulation of telecommunications services; contributions by electric and gas utilities to the utility public benefits fund; grants for energy conservation and other programs; reciprocal agreements for real estate licenses; comprehensive planning by local governmental units; fees imposed by political subdivisions; the confidentiality of patient health care records; apprentice-to-journeyman job-site ratios; the acquisition of in-state banks and in-state bank holding companies; credit agreements; extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures; and granting rule-making authority.

By Representatives Gard, Kaufert, Johnsrud, Grothman, Montgomery, Suder, Kestell, Nass, J. Fitzgerald, Towns, Freese, Nischke, McCormick, Honadel, D. Meyer, Krawczyk, Kreibich, Owens, J. Wood, Ott, Townsend, Huebsch, Gielow, Jeskewitz, Gunderson, Hundertmark, Ladwig and Hahn; cosponsored by Senators Panzer, Stepp, Kedzie, Zien, Darling, Leibham, Roessler, Welch and Kanavas.

November 11, 2003 Referred to Joint committee on Finance.

November 12, 2003 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (16) Senators Darling, Welch, S. Fitzgerald, Lazich, Harsdorf, Kanavas, Decker and Moore;
Representatives Kaufert, Huebsch, Ward, Stone, Rhoades, D. Meyer, Coggs and Schooff.
Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- John Torinus, 4983 Lake Drive, West Bend, WI 53095
- Buck Sweeney, Bielinski Development, Michael, Best & Friedrich, Madison, WI
- Michael Doble, 2077 S. 116th St., West Allis, WI 53227
- John Hofkes, 17112 59th Ave., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
- Pat Schillinger, Wisconsin Paper Council, 250 N. Green Bay Rd., Neenah, WI 54957
- John Siepman, Siepman Realty Corp., N60 W29735 S. Woodfield Rd., Hartland, WI 53029

- Nancy Washburn, JJD Mastercraft Bldrs, 7450 County Line Rd., Racine, WI 53403
- Randall Melody, Harmony Homes, 2727 N. Grandview, Waukesha, WI 53188
- State Senator Cathy Stepp, 21st Senate District, 14520 50th Rd., Sturtevant, WI 53177
- Paul Kent, 1 North Pinckney St., Madison, WI 53703
- Jeff Christensen, Riparian Owners & Marine Contractors Association, 6408 Cross Road, Winneconne, WI 54986
- J. Scott Mathie, Metropolitan Builders Association, N16 W23321 Stone Ridge, Waukesha, WI 53188
- Mary Anne Moore-Church, Casaloma Properties Inc., 3667 Quaker Ridge Lane, Appleton, WI 54914
- Mike Kahr, ROMCA, 11648 Old Stage Ct., Ellison Bay, WI 54210
- James Buchen, WMC, 601 E. Washington Ave., Madison, WI
- John Mielke, ABC of Wisconsin, 5330 Wall Street, Madison, WI 53710
- Mike Semman, Wisconsin Builders Association, 4868 High Crossing Blvd., Madison, WI 53704
- Daniel Paltz, 3022 Waubesa Ave., Madison, WI 53711
- Tony Steffes, Steffes Construction, W3796 Sunny Rd., Eden, WI 53019
- Larry Chapman, ROMCA, W357 58715 Chapman Ln., Eagle, WI 53119

Appearances Against

- George Meyer, Wisconsin Wildlife Federation, 201 Randolph Drive, Madison, WI 53717-1615
- Page Buchanan, Wisconsin IBEW - Construction Locals, 1142 Spaight Street, Madison, WI 53703
- Joe Wineke, Operating Engineers, 412 Edward, Verona, WI
- Secretary Scott Hassett, Dept. of Natural Resources
- Tom Dawson, Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager, 17 W. Main St., Madison, WI 53707
- Tom Soles, N4850 Hwy V, Fond du Lac, WI
- Steve Hiniker, 1000 Friends of Wisconsin, 16 N. Carroll, #810, Madison, WI 53703
- Lisa Conley, Rock River Coalition, 516 Lac La Belle Drive, Oconomowoc, WI 53066
- Todd Hanson, 4514 Elgar Ln., Madison, WI 53704
- Gary Radloff, Dept. of Health and Family Services, 1 W. Wilson St., Madison, WI
- Dan Stier, Dept. of Health and Family Services, 1 W. Wilson St., Madison, WI
- Edward Kuharski, Establishing Democracy in Wisconsin, 405 Sidney St., Madison, WI 53703

- William O'Connor, Wisconsin Association of Lakes, 25 W. Main St., Madison, WI 53703
- Donna Sefton, 10900 Smokey Mountain Tr., Blue Mounds, WI 53517
- Derek Scheer, Clean Wisconsin, 122 State St., Madison, WI 53703
- Karen Morgan, Dept. of Workforce Development, 201 E. Washington Ave., Madison, WI
- Becky Abel, Wisconsin Wetlands Association, 222 S. Hamilton St. #1, Madison, WI 53703
- Peter Murray, Wisconsin Association of Lakes, E8581 Hogsback Road, Baraboo, WI 53913
- Alice Thompson, Thompson & Associates Wetland Services, 1514 Menomonee Ave., South Milwaukee, WI 53172

Appearances for Information Only

- David Jenkins, Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives, 131 W. Wilson St., Madison, WI
- Secretary Marc Marotta, Dept. of Administration
- Secretary Michael Morgan, Dept. of Revenue
- Patrick Henderson, Governor's Office

Registrations For

- Craig Frier, 2245 Timber Trails Rd., Lisle, Illinois 60532
- Kenyon Kies, Wisconsin Utility Investors, Inc., 10 E. Doty St., Suite 500, Madison, WI 53703
- Brian Mitchell, Wisconsin Cast Metals Association, 225 Regency Court, Suite 200, Brookfield, WI 53045
- Jim Leonhart, Wisconsin Biotech Association, No address provided
- Jim Hough, Wisconsin Economic Development Association (WEDA), 10 East Doty St., Suite 500, Madison, WI 53703
- William Jordahl, Alliant Energy
- Michelle Kussow, Wisconsin Grocers Association, One S. Pinckney St., Ste. 504, Madison, WI 53703
- Matt Hauser, Petroleum Marketers Association of WI/WI Association of C-Stores, 121 S. Pinckney St., Ste. 300, Madison, WI 53719
- Tom Larson, Wisconsin Realtors Association, 4801 Forest Run Road, Madison, WI 53704
- Bill Skewes, Wisconsin Utilities Association, 44 East Mifflin St., Ste. 202, Madison, WI 53703
- Pat Osborne, LaFarge North America, 10 E. Doty, Suite 500, Madison, WI
- Pat Osborne, Aggregate Producers of Wisconsin, 10 E. Doty St., Suite 500, Madison, WI

- Patrick Stevens, Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association, 1 S. Pinckney St., Suite 818, Madison, WI 53703
- James Morrison, Wisconsin Public Service, P.O. Box 19002, Green Bay, WI
- Jodi Bloch, Wisconsin Bankers Association, 4721 S. Biltmore Lane, Madison, WI 53718
- Nathan Elias, Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce, 756 N. Milwaukee Street, Suite 400, Milwaukee, WI 53202
- Jerry Deschane, Wisconsin Builders Association, 4868 High Crossing, Madison, WI 53704

Registrations Against

- Joanne Ricca, Wisconsin State AFL-CIO , 6333 W. Blue Mound Rd., Milwaukee, WI 53213
- Liz Fremer, WISPIRG, 6 Oakbridge Court, Madison, WI 53717
- Kim Genich, Wisconsin Wetlands Association, 2020 University Avenue, Madison, WI 53726
- Willa Schmidt, Northwoods Land Trust/Snipe Lake Association, 2020 University Avenue, Madison, WI 53726
- Melissa Scanlan, Midwest Environmental Advocates, 702 E. Johnson, Madison, WI
- Jeff Smith, Trout Unlimited, 7330 Old Sauk Rd., Madison, WI 53717
- Bill Pielsticker, Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters, 8045 Crystal Lake Road, Lodi, WI 53555
- Steve Oestricher, Wisconsin Conservation Congress, 201 Randolph Dr., Madison, WI 53717
- Jayne Meyer, Wisconsin Conservation Congress, 201 Randolph Drive, Madison, WI 53717
- Mark Reihl, Wisconsin State Council of Carpenters, 115 W. Main St., Madison, WI 53703
- Shauna Cook, 1025 Havey Rd., Madison, WI 53704
- Liz Wessel, 546 Woodside Terrace, Madison, WI 53711
- Mark Redsten, 1022 Shorewood Blvd., Madison, WI 53705
- Barb Kneer, 6317 Inner Drive, Madison, WI 53705
- Denny Caneff, River Alliance of Wisconsin, 306 E. Wilson St., 2W, Madison, WI 53703
- Gary Hammen, Wisconsin Pipe Traders Association, 2397 Kathleen St., Ste. 394, Madison, WI 53711
- John Ebsen, 1 Courtland Circle, Madison, WI 53711
- Kathryn Carlson, Dept. of Financial Institutions, 345 W. Washington, Madison, WI 53702
- Caryl Terrell, Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter, 222 S. Hamilton St. #1, Madison, WI 53703

- Bill Hallstrom, Green - Rock Audobon, 2242 Meridith Dr.,
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- Karen Etter Hale, Madison Audobon Society, 222 S. Hamilton
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- Chris Nehrboss, 3075 Sunnyside St., Stoughton, WI 53589

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