

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Energy and Utilities

Senate Bill 272

Relating to: local government telecommunications utilities and public hearings for ordinances and resolutions authorizing local government cable television, telecommunications, and Internet access facilities.

By Senators Kanavas, Kedzie, Plale, Stepp, Reynolds, M. Meyer, S. Fitzgerald, Wirch, Leibham, A. Lasee, Breske, Brown, Carpenter and Welch; cosponsored by Representatives Montgomery, Vrakas, Suder, J. Fitzgerald, F. Lasee, Owens, Gundrum, Schneider, Shilling, D. Meyer, Hundertmark, Stone, Huebsch, Gronemus, Pettis, Grothman, Nass, Seratti, LeMahieu, Hines, Friske, Van Roy, J. Wood, Musser and Jeskewitz.

November 20, 2003 Referred to Committee on Energy and Utilities.

December 9, 2003 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (10) Representatives Jensen, Montgomery, Friske, J. Fitzgerald, Gottlieb, Honadel, Ziegelbauer, Steinbrink, Krug, Travis.
Absent: (3) Representatives Powers, Nischke and Schooff.

Appearances For

- Tom Hanson, WI Cable Communications Assoc., Madison
- Kent Reeves, Comcast Cable, Manitowoc
- Kathy Keating, Time Warner Cable, Kimberly
- Lorenzo Cruz, CenturyTel, Madison
- Larry Lueck, Nsight Telservices, De Pere
- Chris LaRowe, WI State Telephone Assoc., Madison
- Tim Vowell, Charter Communications, Madison

Appearances Against

- Scott Meske, Municipal Electric Utilities of WI, Sun Prairie
- Anita Gallucci, Municipal Electric Utilities of WI, Madison
- Del Beaver, Village of Jackson, Jackson
- Mayor John Lambie, City of Kaukauna, Kaukauna
- Jeff Feldt, Kaukauna Utilities, Kaukauna
- Keith Montgomery, iTown Communications, Vienna, VA
- Mayor Gary Kahlenberg, City of Oconomowoc, Oconomowoc
- Mark Frye, City of Oconomowoc, Oconomowoc
- Rev. Dave Steffenson, WI Interfaith Climate and Energy Campaign, Columbus

- James Greever, City of Geneva, IL, Geneva, IL
- Steve Bacalzo, Manitowoc
- Dan Dasho, Shawano Municipal Utility, Shawano
- Henry Veleker, City of Waupaca, Waupaca
- Mayor Carl Stolte, City of Reedsburg, Reedsburg
- Dave Mikonowicz, Reedsburg Utility Commission, Reedsburg
- Jerry Moore, City of Sun Prairie, Sun Prairie
- Mayor Dave Hanneman, City of Sun Prairie, Sun Prairie
- Gary Sanders, Sun Prairie Water & Light Telecom, Sun Prairie
- Mayor Paul Fisk, City of Lodi, Lodi
- Joseph Pacovsky, Marshfield Utility Commission, Marshfield
- Douglas Young, Menasha Utilities, Menasha
- Ed Huck, League of WI Municipalities, Madison

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Sen. Ted Kanavas, Brookfield
- Gary Anderson, Charter Communications, Madison
- R.J. Pirlot, Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Madison
- John Miller, Charter Communications, Fond du Lac

Registrations Against

- Thomas Asp, Virchow Krause & Company, Edgerton
- Barry Orton, Madison
- Charlie Higley, Citizen's Utility Board, Madison
- Ken Pfeifer, Village of Hustisford, Hustisford
- Donald Baumann, Hustisford Utilities, Hustisford
- Richard Kirchoff, Hustisford, Hustisford
- David Benforado, Municipal Electric Utilities of WI, Sun Prairie
- John Dougherty, City of Oconto Falls, Oconto Falls
- Chuck Grady, City of Oconto Falls, Oconto Falls
- Carl Vowiwkel, City of Oconto Falls, Oconto Falls
- Amy Boyer, WI Economic Development Assoc., Madison
- William Ross, Shawano Municipal Utilities, Shawano
- Curt Witynski, League of WI Municipalities, Madison
- Robert Trussoni, Marshfield Electric & Water, Marshfield

February 17, 2004

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (12) Representatives Jensen, Montgomery, Friske, J. Fitzgerald, Gottlieb, Nischke, Honadel, Ziegelbauer, Steinbrink, Schooff, Zepnick and Travis.

Absent: (1) Representative Powers.

Moved by Representative Jensen that be recommended for rejection.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Jensen, Montgomery, Friske, J. Fitzgerald, Gottlieb, Nischke and Honadel.

Noes: (5) Representatives Ziegelbauer, Steinbrink, Schooff, Zepnick and Travis.

Absent: (1) Representative Powers.

REJECTION OF RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 5

Moved by Representative Jensen that **Senate Bill 272** be recommended for concurrence.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Jensen, Montgomery, Friske, J. Fitzgerald, Gottlieb, Nischke and Honadel.

Noes: (5) Representatives Ziegelbauer, Steinbrink, Schooff, Zepnick and Travis.

Absent: (1) Representative Powers.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 5

Brett Healy
Committee Clerk