

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on State Affairs

Assembly Bill 787

Relating to: the sale and distribution of fermented malt beverages.

By Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Huebsch, Kreuser, Gard, Krawczyk, Musser, Fields, Hahn, Hines, Gronemus, Kreibich, Lothian, Boyle, Montgomery, Nelson, Nerison, Seidel, Stone, Sheridan, Towns, Travis, Van Roy, Zepnick and Petrowski; cosponsored by Senators Brown, S. Fitzgerald, Schultz, Breske, Kanavas, Plale, Leibham and Zien.

October 25, 2005 Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

October 25, 2005 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (9) Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Kleefisch,
Musser, Gundrum, Krawczyk, Petrowski,
Toles, Young and Benedict.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Rep. Jeff Fitzgerald, Horicon — Author
- Mr. James Hellman, Sparta — Owner, Hellman Distributors & Board Director, Wisconsin Beer Distributors Association (WBDA)
- Mr. Jeff Wydeven, Appleton — Owner, Tri County Distributors & Board Chair, WBDA
- Mr. Gary Olson, New Glarus — General Manager, Joseph Huber Brewing Company
- Mr. Paul Lucas, Milwaukee — Regional Director, Government Affairs, Miller Brewing Company

Appearances Against

- Mr. Russ Klisch, Milwaukee — Co-Owner, Lakefront Brewing, Inc. & President, Wisconsin Brewer's Guild
- Mr. Carl Nolan — Owner, Capital Brewery & Board Member, Wisconsin Brewer's Guild
- Mr. Tom H. Porter, Arena — Owner, Lake Louie Brewing
- Mr. Robert Gray, Janesville — Owner, Gray Brewing Company
- Mr. Tom Strelka, Glendale — Specher Brewing Company

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Sen. Ron Brown, Eau Claire — Senate Author
- Mr. Scott Stenger, Madison — Government Relations Director, Tavern League of Wisconsin
- Mr. Bob Bartlett, Madison — Government Relations Director, Wisconsin Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store Association, Inc.
- Mr. Gary Knowles, New Glarus — Assistant Vice President, Joseph Huber Brewing Company
- Mr. Matt Arts, Milwaukee — Sales & Service, Beechwood Distributing
- Mr. Scott McLoneghy, East Troy — Sales & Service, Beechwood Distributing
- Mr. Richard Kruse, Slinger — Sales & Service, Beechwood Distributing
- Mr. Pierre McCormick, Madison — President, Wisconsin Distributors & Board Director, WBDA
- Mr. Steve Bysted, Janesville — President, Ott Schweitzer Distributing Inc.

Registrations Against

- Mr. Michael Welsh, Madison — Lobbyist, Wisconsin Brewer's Guild

October 27, 2005

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (9) Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Kleefisch, Musser, Gundrum, Krawczyk, Petrowski, Toles, Young and Benedict.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Musser, seconded by Representative Young that **LRBa1261/1** be recommended for introduction.

Ayes: (4) Representatives Musser, Toles, Young and Benedict.

Noes: (5) Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Kleefisch, Gundrum, Krawczyk and Petrowski.

INTRODUCTION OF LRBA1261/1 NOT RECOMMENDED,
Ayes 4, Noes 5

Moved by Representative Musser, seconded by Representative Petrowski that **Assembly Bill 787** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (9) Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Kleefisch, Musser, Gundrum, Krawczyk, Petrowski, Toles, Young and Benedict.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0

Brian Pleva
Committee Clerk