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2007-08

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Affairs (SC-LEUA)**

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* Contents organized for archiving by: Mike Barman (LRB) (October/2010)

Moved by Senator Wirch, seconded by Senator Lehman that
Senate Substitute Amendment 1 be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (5) Senators Coggs, Wirch, Lehman, Grothman
and A. Lasee.

Noes: (0) None.

ADOPTION OF SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1
RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

Moved by Senator Grothman, seconded by Senator A. Lasee that
Senate Bill 50 be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (5) Senators Coggs, Wirch, Lehman, Grothman
and A. Lasee.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0



Adam Plotkin
Committee Clerk



Vote Record

Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs

Date: Wed. April 18, 2007

Moved by: Grothman Seconded by: Lasee

AB _____ SB 50 _____ Clearinghouse Rule _____
 AJR _____ SJR _____ Appointment _____
 AR _____ SR _____ Other _____

A/S Amdt _____
 A/S Amdt _____ to A/S Amdt _____
 A/S Sub Amdt _____
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Be recommended for:

- Passage Adoption Confirmation Concurrence Indefinite Postponement
 Introduction Rejection Tabling Nonconcurrency

<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
Senator Spencer Coggs, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Robert Wirch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Senator Alan Lasee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Motion Carried

Motion Failed

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Motion Carried

Motion Failed





**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
AMENDMENT MEMO**

2007 Assembly Bill 123	Assembly Substitute Amendment 1
<i>Memo published: April 5, 2007</i> <i>Contact: Pam Shannon, Senior Staff Attorney (266-2680)</i>	

Current law generally requires an employer to pay an employee's wages no later than 31 days after the date on which the wages are earned, with exceptions for certain employees including, for example, those engaged in logging or farm labor or covered by a collective bargaining agreement establishing a different payment frequency.

Assembly Bill 123 creates an additional exception for volunteer fire fighters who, by agreement with their employers, are paid semiannually or annually.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 adds volunteer emergency medical technicians to the bill's exception for volunteer fire fighters.

Legislative History

On April 3, 2007, the Assembly Committee on Homeland Security and State Preparedness held a public hearing and executive session on the bill. The committee, by unanimous consent, introduced language that became Assembly Substitute Amendment 1, adopted the Substitute Amendment on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, also on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0.

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**NEW AUBURN AREA FIRE DEPT., INC.
148 EAST ELM STREET
P. O. BOX 172
NEW AUBURN, WI 54757**

April 9, 2007

Members of Senate Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs
% Senator Spencer Coggs

RE: Senate Bill #50

Dear Members of Senate Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs:

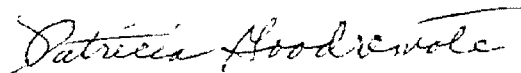
Please support Senate Bill #50, which would include language in Wisconsin State Statute 109.03(1) that would exempt volunteer fire departments from having to make at least monthly payments for services of their firemen.

Many of these payments are very minimal, which could for example be less than \$20 per month, and with a roster of 20-25 firemen this amounts to an excessive cost for payroll checks, bookkeeping, etc. for our department. Our operating funds are mainly from already overburdened taxpayers; therefore, we feel that as long as the firemen are agreeable to any less frequency of payment, this should be acceptable.

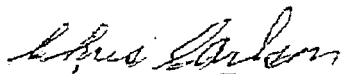
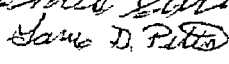
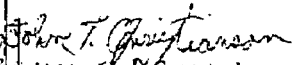
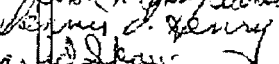

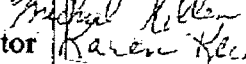
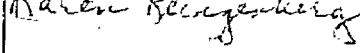
The Secretary and Treasurer of our fire corporation who take care of the finances, payroll work, etc. are paid quite minimally, which is as it should be, so our funds can and should be used mainly for fighting fires, first-responder services, etc., and not for administrative costs.

Thank you kindly for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Patricia Goodremote
Secretary

Chris Carlson, President/Director	
Gary Pitts, Vice-President/Director	
Orville Hoveland, Director	
John Christianson, Director	
Dennis Henry, Director	
David Skaw, Director	
Michael Kellen, Director	
Karen Klingenberg, Director	





**STATE SENATOR
PAT KREITLOW**

To: Members of the Senate Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs
From: Senator Kreitlow
Date: April 10, 2007
**Re: Testimony on SB 50, Relating to the Frequency of Wage Payments to
Volunteer Fire Fighters**

Good morning Chairperson Coggs and Members of the Committee, and thank you for holding a hearing on SB 50. This bill was drafted by Representative Wood and myself on behalf of the New Auburn Area Fire Department, a volunteer fire department, to allow a volunteer fire fighter to be paid semiannually or annually. This can only be done if both the volunteer fire fighter and the fire department employing him or her agree upon such a payment schedule.

Although most employees in the workforce are required to be paid at least monthly, there are exceptions under current law for logging, farm workers and school employees. SB 50 would provide a similar exception to volunteer firefighters. The New Auburn Area Fire Department had been utilizing the wage payment schedule provided by this bill before they were informed a change in statute would be required for them to continue the practice.

The benefits to the department include reduced administrative costs, and many fire fighters enjoy the single pay check as a "bonus" for their volunteer work for the year. Again, each individual volunteer fire fighter would have the option of this payment schedule.

Finally, the Assembly held a hearing on this bill last week and there was a request by the volunteer EMT's to be added to the bill. The Assembly voted to add EMT's and I have drafted a Senate Substitute Amendment to do the same.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak on SB 50 today. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.



SB 50

Matt Pagel, Kreiflow

* Woods office called

* checked w/ Pro & Vol. FFA's
- like getting year end bonus

Date?

* permissive for monis, not mandatory

* we can wait for Assembly action



Date ?

2007 SENATE BILL 50

Companion (AB 123) was amended and passed the Assembly committee unanimously

February 20, 2007 - Introduced by Senators KREITLOW, COWLES, LASSA, KANAVAS, GROTHMAN, ROESSLER and SCHULTZ, cosponsored by Representatives WOOD, ALBERS, BALLWEG, BIES, JESKEWITZ, KERKMAN, MOULTON, MUSSER, SUDER, TOWNSEND and VOS. Referred to Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs.

permissive for municipalities to pay firefighters annually rather than monthly

1 AN ACT *to create* 109.03 (1) (e) of the statutes; **relating to:** the frequency of wage
2 payments to volunteer fire fighters.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law generally requires an employer to pay an employee his or her wages by no later than 31 days after the date on which the wages are earned. Current law, however, provides exceptions for employees engaged in logging or farm labor, employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement establishing a different payment frequency, school district and private school employees who request payment over a 12-month period for services performed during the school year, and employees who receive compensatory time off in lieu of overtime compensation. This bill creates another exception for volunteer fire fighters who by agreement with their employers are paid semiannually or annually.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 SECTION 1. 109.03 (1) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

* Kreitlow will be here for sure, maybe one or two others
* they have a sub. amendment adding EMT's that Kreitlow will mention