## **Senate**

# **Record of Committee Proceedings**

### **Committee on Elections and Utilities**

#### Senate Bill 281

Relating to: the organization and operation of cooperatives and extensions of credit by electric cooperatives.

By Senators Testin, Cowles, Bewley, Moulton, Harsdorf, Ringhand, Marklein and Vinehout; cosponsored by Representatives Tauchen, Nerison, E. Brooks, Novak, Considine, Tusler, Kulp, Bernier, Quinn, Petryk, Meyers, Ripp, Tranel, Ballweg, Krug, Edming, Summerfield, Vruwink, Doyle, Kolste, VanderMeer, Mursau, Pronschinske and Goyke.

June 02, 2017 Referred to Committee on Elections and Utilities

October 12, 2017 **Public Hearing Held** 

Present: (4) Senator LeMahieu; Senators Kapenga,

Wanggaard and Miller.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (1) Senator Risser.

### Appearances For

- Sen. Patrick Testin 24th Senate District
- Rep. Gary Tauchen 6th Assembly District
- Beata Wierzba WI Electric Cooperative Association
- James Hathaway Dunn Energy Cooperative
- Michael Lensmire Self
- Scott Herrick Self
- Bob Topel Foremost Farms USA
- John Robison Foremost Farms USA
- John Ruedinger CRI
- Ethan Giebel Cooperative Network
- David Ward Cooperative Network

### **Appearances Against**

- Thomas Eurighl Self
- Karyn Schauf Self
- Sarah Lloyd Self
- Oren Jakobson Stevens Point Area Cooperative
- Kara O'Connor WI Farmers Union
- Rebecca Kemble U.S. Federation of Worker Cooperatives, CICOPA
- Erling Olson MadWorC, Isthmus Engineering

• Brel Hutton-Okpalaeke - Self

## **Appearances for Information Only**

• None.

### **Registrations For**

- Nathan Franklin Dairyland Power Co-op
- Kristen Fancer Growmark

### **Registrations Against**

- Sen. Kathleen Vinehout 31st Senate District
- Jennifer Gregerich WI League of Conservation Voters

### Registrations for Information Only

None.

### October 24, 2017 Executive Session Held

Present: (5) Senator LeMahieu; Senators Kapenga,

Wanggaard, Miller and Risser.

Absent: (0) None. Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Risser, seconded by Senator Miller that **Senate Substitute Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (2) Senators Miller and Risser.

Noes: (3) Senator LeMahieu; Senators Kapenga and Wanggaard.

SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION NOT RECOMMENDED, Ayes 2, Noes 3

Moved by Senator Wanggaard, seconded by Senator Kapenga that **Senate Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (5) Senator LeMahieu; Senators Kapenga, Wanggaard, Miller and Risser.

Noes: (0) None.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

Moved by Senator LeMahieu, seconded by Senator Kapenga that **Senate Amendment 2** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (5) Senator LeMahieu; Senators Kapenga, Wanggaard, Miller and Risser.

Noes: (0) None.

SENATE AMENDMENT 2 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

Moved by Senator Wanggaard, seconded by Senator Kapenga that **Senate Bill 281** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (3) Senator LeMahieu; Senators Kapenga and Wanggaard.

Noes: (2) Senators Miller and Risser.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 3, Noes 2

Ashley Czaja Committee Clerk