



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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2023 SENATE BILL 547

October 23, 2023 - Introduced by Senators SMITH, TAYLOR, L. JOHNSON, SPREITZER, CABRAL-GUEVARA and AGARD, cosponsored by Representatives JOERS, BALDEH, RATCLIFF, SINICKI, CONLEY, J. ANDERSON, EMERSON, HONG, SNODGRASS, SUBECK, MOORE OMOKUNDE, BARE, SHELTON, CABRERA, CONSIDINE, PALMERI, ANDRACA, JACOBSON, CLANCY and ORTIZ-VELEZ. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT to create** 13.45 (8) of the statutes; **relating to:** requiring a public hearing
2 on bills with several cosponsors.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires that a bill referred to committee receive a public hearing no later than 90 days after its referral if at least one-third of the members of either house of the legislature have signed on as cosponsors of the bill.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 13.45 (8) of the statutes is created to read:
4 13.45 (8) PUBLIC HEARINGS; COSPONSORS. Any bill referred to a legislative
5 committee that has not received a public hearing shall be scheduled for a public
6 hearing no later than 90 days after its referral if at least one-third of the members
7 of either house of the legislature have signed on as cosponsors of the bill. For a bill

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SECTION 1

1 that is referred to more than one committee, the 90-day period begins on the date
2 of the first referral.

3 (END)