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BILL NO. SB229

OR

SUBJECT _____

Sheri Krause
(NAME)

(Street Address or Route Number)

(City and Zip Code)

WI Assoc of School Boards
(Representing)

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Speaking Against:

Registering in Favor:
but not speaking:

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SUBJECT School Bus

Robert W. Christian
(NAME)

1015 Fairview Dr
(Street Address or Route Number)

Sheboygan (WI 5308)
(City and Zip Code)

WIS - School Buses
(Representing)

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SUBJECT Qualifications

For School Bus Endorsement

Gary Guenther
(NAME)

4802 Sheboygan Av
(Street Address or Route Number)

Madison WI 53708
(City and Zip Code)

WIDOT - DMV
(Representing)

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Merry Larsen
(NAME)

(Street Address or Route Number)

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Dept. of Public Instruction
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Vote Record

Senate - Committee on Insurance, Tourism, and Transportation

Date: 8/29/01
Moved by: 6 Seconded by: Br
Clearinghouse Rule: _____
Appointment: _____
Other: _____

AB: _____ SB: 229
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Be recommended for:

- Passage
- Introduction
- Adoption
- Rejection

- Indefinite Postponement
- Tabling
- Concurrence
- Nonconcurrence
- Confirmation

Committee Member

Sen. Roger Breske, Chair
Sen. Richard Grobschmidt
Sen. Jim Baumgart
Sen. Alan Lasee
Sen. Dale Schultz

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
Sen. Roger Breske, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Richard Grobschmidt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Jim Baumgart	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Alan Lasee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Dale Schultz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Totals: _____

Motion Carried

Motion Failed

Senate Committee on Insurance,
Tourism, and Transportation
Wednesday, August 29, 2001
Room 201 SE Capitol

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 229

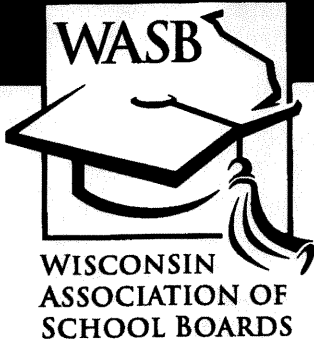
My name is Merry Larsen and I am a school administration consultant with the Department of Public Instruction. The DPI supports the enactment of Senate Bill 229.

Under current law, any individual wishing to operate a school bus must obtain a school bus endorsement to his or her motor vehicle operator's license from the Department of Transportation. The statutes specify that a school bus endorsement may not be issued to a person who has been convicted of a felony or offense against public morals within the past five years. However, under current law, DOT would be required to issue a school bus endorsement to an individual who was convicted of, for instance, molesting a child in 1995, provided he or she met all of the other criteria for the endorsement.

Persons who have been convicted of a felony or offense that substantially relates to the job of driving a school bus simply should not be employed in a position that involves such close and unsupervised contact with children.

Senate Bill 229 would specify that anyone convicted of a felony or offense against public morals, at any time, would not be able to obtain a school bus endorsement. The DPI urges the Committee's support of this bill, which would provide a higher level of safety for the hundreds of thousands of children who ride school buses every day.

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on this bill.



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KEN COLE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

TO: Senate Insurance, Tourism and Transportation Committee Members
FROM: Sheri Krause, Legislative Services Coordinator
DATE: August 29, 2001
RE: Senate Bill 227 and Senate Bill 229

The Wisconsin Association of School Boards supports Senate Bill 227 and Senate Bill 229. The WASB has a long-standing policy supporting legislation to establish regulations for bus driver safety, education, age limits and consideration of the applicant's overall driving record.

SB 227 would require a school bus driver 70 years of age or older to submit proof that he or she has passed a knowledge test, driving skills test and physical exam at least every two years rather than every four years as under current law. SB 229 would allow any convictions of felonies or offenses against public morals that substantially relate to the operation of a school bus to be considered as a qualification to operate a school bus. Currently, the convictions must have taken place within the last five years.

The WASB supports both SB 227 and SB 229. If you have any questions regarding the WASB's position, please let me know.