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Details:

(FORM UPDATED: 07/12/2010)

**WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ...  
PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS**

**2005-06**

(session year)

**Assembly**

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

**Committee on ... Public Health  
(AC-PH)**

**COMMITTEE NOTICES ...**

- Committee Reports ... **CR**
- Executive Sessions ... **ES**
- Public Hearings ... **PH**
- Record of Comm. Proceedings ... **RCP**

**INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL**

- Appointments ... **Appt**
- Clearinghouse Rules ... **CRule**
- Hearing Records ... bills and resolutions  
(**ab** = Assembly Bill)                      (**ar** = Assembly Resolution)                      (**ajr** = Assembly Joint Resolution)  
(**sb** = Senate Bill)                              (**sr** = Senate Resolution)                      (**sjr** = Senate Joint Resolution)
- Miscellaneous ... **Misc**

## Vote Record Committee on Public Health

Date: 5/18/05

Moved by: Freese

Seconded by: Wasserman

AB 218 SB \_\_\_\_\_ Clearinghouse Rule \_\_\_\_\_  
 AJR \_\_\_\_\_ SJR \_\_\_\_\_ Appointment \_\_\_\_\_  
 AR \_\_\_\_\_ SR \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

A/S Amdt \_\_\_\_\_  
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Be recommended for:

- Passage       Adoption       Confirmation       Concurrence       Indefinite Postponement  
 Introduction       Rejection       Tabling       Nonconcurrence

Committee Member

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
<b>Representative J.A. Hines, Chair</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative Gregg Underheim</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative John Townsend</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative Stephen Freese</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative Terri McCormick</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative Sheldon Wasserman</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative Tamara Grigsby</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Representative Charles Benedict</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Totals:</b>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>    </u>

Motion Carried

Motion Failed







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## Assembly Committee Public Health

### Testimony In support of Assembly Bill 218 May 18, 2005

Thank you Chairperson Hines, and members of the committee for allowing me to speak. My name is Dale Bjorling. I am president of the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association. In addition to my service as WVMA president, I am the chairperson of the Department of Surgical Science at the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine.

The WVMA represents approximately 90 percent of Wisconsin's licensed veterinarians. We ask for your support of Assembly Bill 218 which would require a person to obtain a veterinary license before castrating a dog, cat or horse.

Only veterinarians are authorized, by law, to provide anesthesia to animals. Allowing lay people to castrate dogs, cats and horses without anesthesia would increase animal suffering. All veterinarians take an oath to uphold the "relief of animal suffering" and would consider the risk of excessive pain during this procedure by lay people to be cruel and unnecessary.

The American Animal Hospital Association guidelines clearly state that pain management is a necessary component of all surgical procedures.

Medically, there is also a concern of exsanguinations, also known as bleeding out, or severe swelling caused by hemorrhaging. This could be the result in the death of the dog, cat or horse if the blood vessels are not properly tied off prior to being excised.

For these reasons, the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association asks you to support AB 218.

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May 27, 2005

The Honorable J.A. Hines  
Wisconsin State Assembly  
Room 10 West  
State Capitol  
P.O. Box 8952  
Madison 53708

Dear Representative Hines:

The Veterinary Examining Board met on Wednesday, May 25 and reviewed 2005 Assembly Bill 218. The Board passed a Motion in support of LRB 1459/2, without amendment.

If you have any questions about the Board's action, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Ryan".

Tom Ryan  
Director, Bureau of Health Professions

c: Chris Klein  
DRL Executive Assistant