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AB 431

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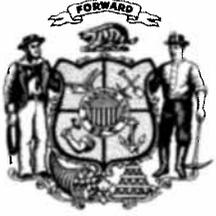
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	Committee Member	Aye	No	Absent	Not voting
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2.	Rep. Phil Montgomery, vice-chair	2			
3.	Rep. Dean Kaufert	3			
4.	Rep. Carol Owens	4			
5.	Rep. Steve Kestell	5			
6.	Rep. Daniel LeMahieu	6			
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8.	Rep. Mark Pocan	8			
9.	Rep. Sheldon Wasserman	9			
10.	Rep. SONDY POPE-ROBERTS	10			
11.	Rep. Donna Seidel				
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JIM KREUSER

State Representative • 64th Assembly District

DEMOCRATIC LEADER-WISCONSIN STATE ASSEMBLY

February 1, 2007

Honorable Garey Bies
Chairperson, Assembly Committee on Corrections and Courts
State Capitol, Room 125 West
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Dear Representative Bies,

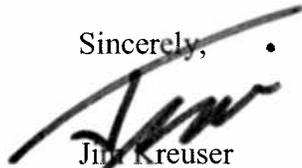
I am writing to respectfully request the prompt scheduling of Assembly Bill 431 for an executive session before the Assembly Committee on Corrections and Courts.

AB431, relating admitting prior testimony of a felony victim at a probation, parole, or extended supervision revocation hearing received a public hearing in your committee on October 30th.

This is important victim protection legislation. As you heard in testimony at the hearing, revocation hearings are often informal with the defendant and victim in close proximity. Working with victims and these situations on a regular basis, our County Victim Witness Coordinator feels this legislation is necessary to protect victims from needless trauma.

Thank you for your consideration of AB431. If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely, •



Jim Kreuser
State Representative
64th Assembly District

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October 29, 2007

Representative Jim Kreuser

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Madison, WI. 53708-8952

RE: Support of AB 431

Dear Representative Kreuser:

I am faxing this letter to you in hopes that you can present it for me at the public hearings tomorrow on AB 431.

This bill could represent an important breakthrough for victim's rights. It would help avoid re-victimizing many victims by limiting the number of times they have to tell their story over & over again. This is especially helpful to children and would ameliorate the trauma they experience in the criminal justice system.

Revocation hearings are typically a brutal experience for victims. They are held in a room that's approximately 4 feet by 4 feet, where the offender and the victim sit at a table together within 2 feet of each other. It is terrifying for victims. When a victim testifies at a preliminary hearing, in a regular courtroom, the burden of proof is "probable cause". If probable cause is found by the circuit court judge, a defendant is "bound over", for trial. If a state court is able to establish this burden of proof, I believe it should be sufficiently reliable and trustworthy for the department of corrections to rely on in their revocation hearings.

I strongly urge you to nurture and promote this bill. It is moral and ethical and only tries to balance the scales for the victims. Thank you for your time and consideration

Respectfully

Sandra J. Bertelle

Victim/Witness Coordinator

Kenosha County