

## Assembly

### Record of Committee Proceedings

#### **Committee on Public Health**

##### **Assembly Bill 554**

Relating to: medical use of marijuana, the regulation of marijuana distribution organizations, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, making appropriations, and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Pocan, Black, Roys, Hilgenberg, Berceau, Parisi, Kessler, Zepnick, Danou, Pope-Roberts, Grigsby, Pasch, Toles and Sherman; cosponsored by Senators Erpenbach, Taylor and Miller.

November 05, 2009 Referred to Committee on Public Health.

December 15, 2009 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (7) Representatives Benedict, Pasch, Dexter,  
Bernard Schaber, Strachota, Vukmir and  
Newcomer.  
Absent: (0) None.

##### Appearances For

- Mark Pocan — Rep., 78th Assembly District
- Jon Erpenbach — Sen, State Senator 27th SD
- Jacki Rickert, Mondovi
- Gary Storck, Madison
- Jon Schommer, Racine
- Daniel Abrahamson, Madison — Drug Policy Alliance Network
- Robert Kropecki, Washington — Marijuana Policy Project
- Mary Lynne Mathre, Howardsville — Patients Out of Time
- Christina Newsome, Milton
- Alexandra Minter, Lodi
- Michael Wolkomir, MD, Barneveld
- Karen Carrig, Cambridge — HOPE of WI
- Travis Maassen, Galesville
- Mathew Brewer, Spring Green
- Gina Dennik-Champion, Madison — WI Nurses Assoc
- Brandy Zink, Detroit — Michigan Medical Marijuana Assoc
- Charles Ream, Ann Arbor — Safer Michigan Coalition
- Greg Francisco, Paw Paw — Michigan Medical Marijuana Assoc

- Maurice Cheetham, Detroit — Michigan Medical Marijuana Assoc
- Ryan Nofsinger, Milwaukee
- Bill Keeton, Milwaukee — AIDS Resource Center of WI
- Christina Harrington
- Penny Nagel, West Allis
- Sean King, Pewaukee
- Tyler Zellmer, Oshkosh
- Suzanne Way, Madison
- Daniel Veerhusen, Madison
- Jeremiah Selfofner, Green Lake
- Jason Glaspie, Fitchburg
- Will Kirchmayer, Fort Atkinson
- Matt Toll, Omro
- Alex Troester, Brownsville
- Nadine Wright, Madison
- Michael Haven, Madison
- Brian Lazarek, Madison
- Mary Adams, Milwaukee
- Randall Prazuch, Eau Claire
- Gregg Hinkley, Madison
- Kelly Lunney, Madison
- Joann Price, Verona
- Bill Edminy, Plainfield
- Richard Martin, Jr, Menasha
- Marrcus Mollenarro, Kenosha
- Mitchell Maricque, Madison
- Braden Hand, Janesville
- William Sanders, Milwaukee
- Wayne Blake, Madison
- Melissa Decoral, Madison
- Jeff Barbo, Madison
- Teresa Shepherd, Hartford
- Scott Shepherd, Hartford
- Stacy Harbaugh, Madison — ACLU of WI
- Daniel Schroeder, Brookfield
- Ben Masel, Madison
- Tim Paulson, Saukville

Appearances Against

- Michael Miller, Madison — WI Medical Society
- Kevin St. John, Madison — Wisconsin DOJ
- Charles Wood — WI Narcotics Officer Assn
- Robert Block, Madison — Controlled Substances Board

- Tom Meyer, Madison

Appearances for Information Only

- Tom Engels, Madison — Pharmacy Society of WI

Registrations For

- Margo Bue, Galesville
- Sean Dilks, Whitewater
- Kyle Norton, Whitewater
- Mark Schener, Madison
- Phil Fransen, Belleville
- Joe Linkowski, Sun Prairie
- Joseph England, Greenfield
- Ben Hallock, Fort Atkinson
- Patrick Brugg, Madison
- Jim Dean, Madison
- Charles Wachtel, Oregon — Veterans for Medical Marijuana
- Tara Sogehorn, LaCrosse
- Teri Meronek, Racine
- Erik Nielsen, Racine
- Jeffrey Wilschle, Madison
- Bob Paloski, Eau Claire
- Brittany Prazuch, Eau Claire
- Lynn Paloski, Altoona
- Ben Achten, Madison
- Matthew Pichler, Colgate — Milwaukee Area NORML
- Jennifer Kincade, Hubertus — Milwaukee Area NORML
- Travis Bahneman, Muskego
- Sean Witzling, Madison
- Don Mettelle, Pewaukee
- David Clark
- Jon Hain, Madison
- Brad Osborn, Madison
- Gary Karch, Madison — NORML-IMMLY
- Alex Jurovic
- Kyle Olson
- Lee Klestinski, Verona
- Matthew Davis, Beloit
- Josh Zepnick — Rep., 9th Assembly District
- Jeffrey Peterson, Milwaukee — Milwaukee Area NORML
- Michael Lembke
- Rick Nielsen, Milwaukee — NORML
- Lindsay Cook, Milwaukee — Milwaukee Area NORML
- Richard Nothnagel, Milwaukee — Milwaukee Area NORML

- Paul Schloemer, Madison
- Aaron Winden, Janesville
- Alyssa Kramer, Madison
- Jean Mellen
- Gary Sherman — Rep., 74th Assembly District
- Erin Curtis, MD, Madison
- Bryan Denio, Milton
- Lena Taylor — Sen, 4th Senate District
- James McCamy, LaFarge
- Genie Ogden, Madison
- Margo Bue, Galesville

Registrations Against

- Nina Emerson, Madison

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

April 22, 2010

Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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Tara Vasby  
Committee Clerk