

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations

Senate Bill 202

Relating to: elimination of compensatory and punitive damages for acts of employment discrimination or unfair honesty or genetic testing.

By Senators Grothman, Galloway, Darling, Lasee, Kedzie, Zipperer and Moulton; cosponsored by Representatives Litjens, LeMahieu, Pridemore, Thiesfeldt, Honadel, Brooks, Knodl, Kleefisch, T. Larson, Kooyenga, Rivard, Kapenga, Steineke, Severson, Petersen, Stroebel, Vos, Knilans, Craig, A. Ott, Kaufert, Tauchen, Bies, Kuglitsch, Endsley and Strachota.

September 27, 2011 Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations.

October 19, 2011 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Zipperer, Kedzie, Galloway, Risser and Erpenbach.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Glenn Grothman, West Bend — State Senator
- Andrew Cook, Madison — Wisconsin Defense Counsel
- Tom O'Day — Wisconsin Civil Justice Council
- Pete Hanson, Madison — Wisconsin Restaurant Association
- Jason Culotta — Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce

Appearances Against

- Dave Hansen, Green Bay — State Senator
- Brenda Garison, Milwaukee
- Ed Vopal — Wisconsin Association for Justice
- Gordon Leech, Mequon
- Christine Sinicki — State Representative

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Steve Baas — MMAC

- Brandon Scholz, Madison — Wisconsin Grocers Association
- Bill Smith, Madison — NFIB
- Kathi Kilgore, Madison — WI hotel & Lodging Association
- Paul Merline, Madison — WI Hospital Association
- Brad Boyce, Madison — Wisconsin Builders Association
- Andy Franken — Wisconsin Insurance Alliance

Registrations Against

- Josh Zepnick — State Representative
- Paul Kinne — Wisconsin Association for Justice
- Andy Jorgenson — State Representative
- Gary Hebl — State Representative
- Emily Winecke — Wisconsin Women's Network
- Barbara Toles — State Representative
- Josh Hendrick — Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
- Joanne Ricea — Wisconsin State AFL-CIO
- Chris Taylor — State Representative
- Bob Andersen — Legal Action of Wisconsin
- Jodi Hanna — Disability Rights Wisconsin
- Genie Ogden, Madison

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

October 26, 2011

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (5) Senators Zipperer, Kedzie, Galloway, Risser and Erpenbach.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Galloway, seconded by Senator Kedzie that **Senate Bill 202** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (3) Senators Zipperer, Kedzie and Galloway.

Noes: (2) Senators Risser and Erpenbach.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 3, Noes 2

Chris Reader
Committee Clerk