## Assembly

## Record of Committee Proceedings

## Committee on Rural Development

Assembly Bill 449
Relating to: rural creative economy grant program and making an appropriation.
By Representatives Novak, Kitchens, Allen, Andraca, Armstrong, Behnke,
Considine, Edming, Green, Jacobson, Mursau, Oldenburg, Rozar, Shankland, Spiros, Tusler, Tranel and Bare; cosponsored by Senators Quinn, Ballweg, James and Spreitzer.

September 28, 2023 Referred to Committee on Rural Development
November 08, 2023 Public Hearing Held
Present: (11) Representative Armstrong; Representatives Schmidt, Edming, Green, Moses, Novak, VanderMeer, Emerson, Considine, Ratcliff and C. Anderson.

Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (1) Representative Hurd.
Appearances For

- Rep. Todd Novak - 51st Assembly District
- Anne Katz - Create Wisconsin
- Anthony Wood - Smoking Monkey Films
- Claudia Looze - Merrimac \& Main
- Mayor Justin Fonfara - City of Rice Lake
- Chris Clemens - Viroqua Chamber
- Sam Luna

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Stephen Goodhart
- Kathi Kilgore - Wisconsin Hotel and Lodging Association
- Catherine McDermott - Destinations Wisconsin
- Sen. Romaine Quinn - 25th Senate District
- Bill Smith - National Federation of Independent Business

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

January 04, 2024 Executive Session Held
Present: (11) Representative Armstrong; Representatives Schmidt, Edming, Green, Hurd, Moses, VanderMeer, Emerson, Considine, Ratcliff and C. Anderson.

Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (0) None.
Moved by Representative Moses, seconded by Representative Hurd that Assembly Bill 449 be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (11) Representative Armstrong; Representatives Schmidt, Edming, Green, Hurd, Moses, VanderMeer, Emerson, Considine, Ratcliff and C. Anderson.

Noes: (0) None.
PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 11, Noes 0

Matt Pulda
Committee Clerk

