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February 23, 2006 - Introduced by Representative Nelson. Referred to Committee on Rules.

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2	Whereas, William J. Rogers was born December 9, 1930, in Appleton to the late
3	Claude and Lucille Rogers; and
4	Whereas, Mr. Rogers graduated from Kaukauna High School, attended Mexico
5	City College, and received his bachelor of science degree from St. Norbert College,
6	and
7	Whereas, Mr. Rogers served his country in the Korean War; and
8	Whereas, Mr. Rogers served in the Wisconsin state assembly from 1963 to 1985
9	where he served as chair of the joint committee on review of administrative rules
10	from 1977 to 1983, democratic caucus chair from 1971 to 1977, and vice-chair of the
11	highway committee from 1973 to 1977; and
12	Whereas, Mr. Rogers is credited with many legislative accomplishments,
13	including requiring child restraint systems in automobiles, putting flashing red
14	lights on school buses, and fighting discrimination and racial imbalance in public
15	schools; and

Relating to: honoring the life and service of William J. Rogers.

1	Whereas, Mr. Rogers played an instrumental role in founding the 1,000 Islands
2	Conservancy and the Golden Venture Home of Kaukauna and secured budgeting for
3	STH 441 20 years before it was paved; and
4	Whereas, Mr. Rogers spent his retirement traveling the world and researching
5	family history; and
6	Whereas, Mr. Rogers was a skilled orator whose speeches from the assembly
7	floor captured the close attention—and votes—of his colleagues; and
8	Whereas, Mr. Rogers will be fondly remembered by those closest to him: his 10
9	children, 12 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, and
10	friends; now, therefore, be it
11	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the
12	Wisconsin legislature commend the devoted public service of William J. Rogers,
13	express their sorrow at his death, and extend their condolences to his family and
14	friends; and, be it further
15	Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
16	resolution to Mr. Rogers' family.
17	(END)