

## Assembly

### Record of Committee Proceedings

#### Committee on Criminal Justice

##### Assembly Bill 41

Relating to: permitting an educational agency to refuse to employ or to terminate from employment an unparoled felon.

By Representatives Petrowski, Nischke, Nass, Ziegelbauer, Montgomery, Pettis, Ladwig, Stone, Suder, Musser, Albers, Hundertmark, Freese, J. Fitzgerald, Olsen, Van Roy, Gielow, LeMahieu, Huebsch, M. Lehman, Hahn, Owens, D. Meyer, Loeffelholz, Kestell, Kreibich, M. Williams, Townsend, Kerkman, Grothman, Gunderson, F. Lasee, Weber, Vukmir, J. Wood, Hines, Vrakas and McCormick; cosponsored by Senators Darling, Kanavas, Harsdorf, S. Fitzgerald, Kedzie, Stepp, Lazich, Leibham and Roessler.

February 10, 2003      Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice.

February 12, 2003      **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present:      (12)      Representatives Suder, Friske, Owens, F. Lasee,  
Jeskewitz, Petrowski, Vukmir, Colon, Poca, Young,  
Turner and Schneider.

Absent:      (2)      Representatives Gundrum and Staskunas.

##### Appearances For

- Representative Jerry Petrowski, 86th Assembly District
- Senator Alberta Darling, 8th Senate District

##### Appearances Against

- Art Heitzer, State Bar of WI, Individual Rights & Responsibilities Section, Law Offices of Art Heitzer, 606 W Wisconsin Ave, Ste 1706, Milwaukee, WI 53203
- Sally Stix, WI Employment Lawyers Assoc., 1800 Parmenter #204, Middleton, WI 53562
- Frank Humphrey, NAACP, PO Box 821, Madison, WI 53701
- Mary Steppe, Project Return, 2821 N 4th Street, Suite 202, Milwaukee, WI 53212
- Wendel Hruska, Project Return, 2821 N 4th Street, Suite 202, Milwaukee, WI 53212
- Rev. Sue Moline Larson, Lutheran Office for Public Policy in WI, 322 E. Washington Ave, Madison, WI 53703
- Chris Ahmuty, ACLU of Wisconsin, 207 E. Buffalo, Milwaukee, WI 53202
- Bob Andersen, WI Council on Children & Families, 16 N. Carroll, Madison, WI 53703
- Muhammad Abdullah, Islaamic Corrections Foundation of Wisconsin, 5135 N. Teutonia Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53209

Appearances for Information Only

- LeAnna Ware, WI Department of Workforce Development, 201 E Washington St, Madison, WI
- Jeff Wiswell, WI Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Assoc., Tenney Plaza #802, 3 South Pinckney Street, Madison, WI

Registrations For

- John Metcalf, WI Manufacturers & Commerce, 501 E. Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53703

Registrations Against

- Senator Gwendolynne Moore, 4th Senate District
- Deb Sybell, State Bar of WI, Individual Rights & Responsibilities Sect., 5302 E. Park Blvd, PO Box 7158, Madison, WI 53707
- Joanne Ricca, WI State AFL-CIO, 6333 W. Blue Mound, Milwaukee, WI 53213
- Mark Reihl, WI State Council of Carpenters, 115 W. Main Street, Madison, WI 53703
- George Bauman, Bethel Lutheran, 312 Wisconsin Ave, Madison, WI 53703
- Tauvaris Moore, Urban League, 151 E. Gorman Avenue
- Kathleen OConnell, Urban League of Greater Madison, 2517 Commonwealth Ave, Madison, WI 53711

February 26, 2003

**EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (14) Representatives Suder, Friske, Owens, F. Lasee, Jeskewitz, Gundrum, Petrowski, Vukmir, Colon, Staskunas, Pocan, Young, Turner and Schneider.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Petrowski, seconded by Representative F. Lasee that **Assembly Bill 41** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Suder, Friske, Owens, F. Lasee, Jeskewitz, Gundrum, Petrowski, Vukmir and Staskunas.

Noes: (5) Representatives Colon, Pocan, Young, Turner and Schneider.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 5

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Anne Emerson  
Committee Clerk