## **Assembly**

# **Record of Committee Proceedings**

## **Committee on Judiciary**

### **Assembly Bill 595**

Relating to: civil liability exemption for claims resulting from weight gain and obesity.

By Representatives Vrakas, Gundrum, Gronemus, Albers, Bies, J. Fitzgerald, Friske, Gottlieb, Grothman, Gunderson, Hahn, Hines, Honadel, Hundertmark, Jeskewitz, Kestell, Krawczyk, Kreibich, Ladwig, F. Lasee, M. Lehman, LeMahieu, McCormick, Montgomery, Musser, Nass, Nischke, Olsen, Ott, Pettis, Petrowski, Schneider, Seratti, Stone, Suder, Towns, Townsend, Van Roy, Ward, Weber, M. Williams, J. Wood, Young, Zepnick and Ziegelbauer; cosponsored by Senators Reynolds, S. Fitzgerald, Zien, Breske, Harsdorf, Kanavas, Lazich, Leibham, Roessler and Schultz, by request of Wisconsin Restaurant Association.

October 15, 2003 Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

January 26, 2004 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD** 

Present: (6) Representatives Gundrum, Albers, Grothman, Kerkman, Staskunas and Hebl.

Excused: (2) Representatives McCormick and Cullen.

#### Appearances For

- Representative Dan Vrakas, 33rd Assembly District
- Adam Peer, on behalf of Senator Tom Reynolds, 5th Senate District
- Ed Lump, Wisconsin Restaurant Association
- John Exner, Midwest Food Processors Association

#### Appearances Against

• Keith Clifford, Wisconsin Academy of Trial Lawyers

## **Appearances for Information Only**

• None.

## Registrations For

- Sen. Ted Kanavas, 33rd Senate District
- Bill Smith, National Federation of Independent Businesses
- Kathi Kilgore, Wisconsin Innkeepers Association
- Jim Hough, Wisconsin Coalition for Civil Justice
- Doug Johnson, Wisconsin Merchants Federation
- John Kavanaugh, Esquire Club
- Terry Quam, Wisconsin Cattleman's Association
- Ron Kuehn, Wisconsin Cattleman's Association
- Ron Kuehn, Wisconsin Pork Producers Association

- Matt Hauser, Petroleum Marketers Association
- Matt Hauser, Association of Convenience Stores
- Michelle Kussow, Wisconsin Grocers Association
- Barbara Behling, Culver Franchising System, Inc.
- Kathi Kilgore, Outdoor Advertising Association of Wisconsin

### Registrations Against

None.

## January 29, 2004 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (8) Representatives Gundrum, McCormick, Albers, Grothman, Kerkman, Staskunas, Hebl and Cullen.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Albers, seconded by Representative Kerkman that **Assembly Bill 595** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (5) Representatives Gundrum, McCormick, Albers, Grothman and Kerkman.

Noes: (3) Representatives Staskunas, Hebl and Cullen.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 3

Jolene Churchill Committee Clerk