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2005-06

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Committee on Agriculture and Insurance (SC-AI)

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND INSURANCE State Senator Dan Kapanke, Chair

To:

Committee Members

From:

Dan Kapanke, Chair

Date:

January 12, 2005

Re:

2005- 2006 General Proceedings for the Committee

Dear Members,

Let me welcome you to the 2005-06 Senate Committee on Agriculture and Insurance. To start our session with a mutual understanding, I want to share with you the following guidelines on how the Senate Agriculture and Insurance Committee with operate. As Chair of the Committee, I plan to operate in a fair and consistent manner providing all members and stakeholders an opportunity to contribute to the policy making process.

I intend to conduct committee business according to these guidelines, however, they are guidelines, not rules; Rules for Committee activities are largely established by Senate Rules, as you are all aware.

Meeting Days

Room 201 Southeast is the regularly scheduled meeting room for the Committee. We will meet on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Beyond any unusual circumstances, I will notify you well in advance for all public hearings and executive sessions.

I firmly believe that Committee work should begin on time. Please notify my office as soon as possible if you will be late or unable to attend. I will make every effort to accommodate members' schedules should meetings be necessary on days other than regularly scheduled meeting days.

Attendance

Roll call will be taken at the beginning of public hearings and executive sessions. The roll will be left open for absent members until the hearing or executive session is adjourned. If a member arrives late, please confirm with the Clerk that your attendance has been recorded.

With the exception of polling, or paper balloting, a member must be present in order to be recorded as voting. The voting roll will be closed after all members who have indicated their presence have voted, and members may not vote on motions before the Committee once the roll is closed. At times and with consent, the roll may be left open until the end of the business day for members to cast their vote.

Committee Staffing

My staff person, Rose Smyrski, is the clerk for both subject areas, Agriculture and Insurance. You may direct any questions regarding procedure of the committee to her. Legislative Council staff has yet to be determined.

Public Hearings

The chair may limit public testimony to five minutes per speaker. Latitude will be given at the chair's discretion – particularly to primary bill authors or agency experts.

Written testimony shall be made available for distribution to Committee members rather than having public witnesses read their testimony to the Committee. If possible, witnesses should paraphrase any written remarks to the Committee.

Questions by members should be directed to those seated before the Committee. I would appreciate it if members not ask questions to audience members. I will entertain requests by members to recall individuals to the Committee to ask follow up questions.

Executive Sessions

Beyond any unusual circumstances, executive sessions on a bill, rule or appointment will not be held on the same day a public hearing is held on said bill, rule or appointment in order to allow members time to review and reflect on information offered. However, time constraints and urgency may affect that guideline.

Polling, or paper balloting, is allowed in Senate committees on any issue before the Committee. We will deliver motions to members by postal mail, electronic mail, or personal delivery. The deadline for submitting your vote will be clearly marked on the ballot.

Amendments to Bills

My office should receive a hard copy of any amendments 24 hours before the start of an Executive Session. This will allow members adequate time to review language and weigh the impact of the proposed amendment. We will allow exceptions if the committee unanimously agrees to accept the amendment.

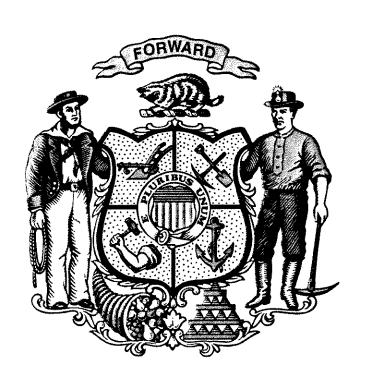
The subject matter in this committee will be challenging and I look forward to working with each member on these issues. If you have any questions or comments, please contact my office at anytime.

Sincerely,

State Senator

Chair, Senate Agriculture and Insurance Committee

32nd Senate District



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TO: MEMBERS

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE

From: Representative Ann Nischke, Chair

Committee on Insurance

Date: February 14, 2005

RE: Committee Meeting Dates

The Assembly Insurance Committee will hold a meeting on the dates and times listed below. A meeting notice will be published closer to the meeting date.

February 22, 2006, 10 AM (Joint Meeting) February 23, 2006, Before Session

It is possible that the committee will meet additional times during February due to the end of session approaching. Please let my office know if you are not available on those dates or any other time during February.

Thank you in advance for your flexibility and patience. If you have any other questions, please contact the committee clerk, Adam Peer.

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