

## Assembly

### Record of Committee Proceedings

#### **Committee on Insurance**

##### **Assembly Bill 1074**

Relating to: recovery of attorney fees in medical malpractice cases.

By Representatives Vos, Vukmir, J. Fitzgerald, Gielow, Lothian, Ainsworth, Musser, Kleefisch, Newcomer, Pridemore, Jeskewitz, Nass, Kerkman, Underheim, F. Lasee, LeMahieu, Ballweg, Owens, Kestell, Hahn and Albers; cosponsored by Senators S. Fitzgerald, A. Lasee, Reynolds, Kedzie, Roessler, Darling and Leibham.

February 27, 2006 Referred to Committee on Insurance.

February 27, 2006 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (12) Representatives Nischke, Underheim, Montgomery, Gielow, Van Roy, Ballweg, Cullen, Lehman, Staskunas, Berceau, Nelson and Sheridan.

Absent: (3) Representatives Wieckert, McCormick and Moulton.

##### Appearances For

- Robin Vos — Representative, Wisconsin State Assembly

##### Appearances Against

- Lynn Lanfenberg, Madison — State Bar of Wisconsin

##### Appearances for Information Only

- None.

##### Registrations For

- Susan Turney — Dr., WMS
- Bill G. Smith, Madison — Mr., National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB); Wisconsin Coalition for Civil Justice
- Pamela Galloway
- Mark Belknap — Dr., Wisconsin Medical Society
- Jeremy Levin — Mr., Wisconsin Medical Society
- Mark Grapentine — Mr., Wisconsin Medical Society
- Jodi Bloch, Madison — Wisconsin Hospital Association

##### Registrations Against

- Eric Farnsworth

- Michael Davis
- Dennis Greenfield
- Paul Sicula, Milwaukee — Mr., Wisconsin Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Keith Clifford, Madison — Wisconsin Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Ruth Simpson — WATL

February 28, 2006

**EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (14) Representatives Nischke, Wieckert, Underheim, Montgomery, McCormick, Gielow, Van Roy, Ballweg, Moulton, Cullen, Lehman, Berceau, Nelson and Sheridan.

Absent: (1) Representative Staskunas.

Moved by Representative Ballweg, seconded by Representative Gielow that **Assembly Bill 1074** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Nischke, Wieckert, Underheim, Montgomery, McCormick, Gielow, Van Roy, Ballweg and Moulton.

Noes: (5) Representatives Cullen, Lehman, Berceau, Nelson and Sheridan.

Absent: (1) Representative Staskunas.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 5

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Adam Peer  
Committee Clerk