

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Higher Education and Tourism

Assembly Bill 298

Relating to: tourism promotion and development under room tax law.

By Representatives Pettis, Kestell, Ballweg, Boyle, Gronemus, Gunderson, Hines, Krawczyk, Kreibich, Lehman, LeMahieu, Lothian, Moulton, Musser, Nass, Nerison, Petrowski, Pridemore, Shilling, Van Roy, Vos, M. Williams, Suder and Rhoades; cosponsored by Senators Darling, Zien, Breske, Kanavas and Stepp.

November 11, 2005 Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Tourism.

January 18, 2006 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Harsdorf, Kapanke, Breske, Plale and Leibham.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Rep. Mark Pettis — Self
- Kim Chase, Madison — WI Department of Tourism
- Lola Roeh, Elkhart Lake — The Osthoff Resort
- Trisha Pugal, Brookfield — WI Innkeepers Association
- Dave Blank, Racine — WI Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus
- Ed Lump, Madison — WI Tourism Federation
- Lynn Peters, Appleton — WI Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus, Fox Cities CVB
- Andy Franken, Madison — WI Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus
- Mark Johnson, Prairie du Chien — Country Inn and Suites

Appearances Against

- Kevin Crawford, Manitowoc — Mayor of Manitowoc
- Karen Partridge, Portage — Wisconsin Bed and Breakfast Association
- Kris Ullmer, Merrill — WI Bed and Breakfast Association
- Susan Hudley, Sheboygan — English Manor Bed and Breakfast
- Ed Huck, Madison — WI Alliance of Cities
- Curt Witynski, Madison — League of WI Municipalities

Appearances for Information Only

- Senator Mary Lazich — Self

Registrations For

- Janet Swandby, Madison — Outdoor Advertising Association of Wisconsin
- Senator Alberta Darling — Self
- Dan Dean — Grandstay Residential Suites
- Peter Hanson, Madison — WI Restaurant Association
- Senator Dave Zien — Self
- Senator Ted Kanavas — Self
- Terry Gray — WIP - Innkeepers
- Mark Kinders, Prescott — Self
- Kathi Kilgore, Madison — WI Inkeepers Association
- Jeff Machtet, Monona — American Lodge and Suites
- Chet Gerlach, Madison — Association of WI Tourism Attractions

Registrations Against

- Rep. Dan LeMahieu — Self
- Michael Miller, West Bend — Mid-Moraine Municipal Association
- Renee Suscha, Sheboygan — Alderperson, City of Sheboygan

February 3, 2006

EXECUTIVE SESSION - POLLING

Moved by Senator Harsdorf that **Senate Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (4) Senators Harsdorf, Kapanke, Breske and Plale.

Noes: (1) Senator Leibham.

ADOPTION OF SENATE AMENDMENT 1 RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 1

Moved by Senator Harsdorf that **Assembly Bill 298** be recommended for concurrence as amended.

Ayes: (4) Senators Harsdorf, Kapanke, Breske and Plale.

Noes: (1) Senator Leibham.

CONCURRENCE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 1

Christian Schneider
Committee Clerk