Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Transportation and Tourism

Senate Bill 529

Relating to: the minimum age for hunting and possessing a firearm, age specific restrictions for hunting and on possessing a firearm while hunting, requirements for obtaining a hunting certificate of accomplishment, establishing a hunting mentorship program, and granting rule-making authority.

By Senators Wirch, Breske, S. Fitzgerald and Decker; cosponsored by Representatives Gunderson, Hraychuck, Suder and Garthwaite.

February 25, 2008 Referred to Committee on Transportation and Tourism.

February 27, 2008 PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present: (7) Senators Breske, Plale, Erpenbach, Hansen,

Kapanke, Schultz and Leibham.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Bob Wirch, Pleasant Prairie Senator, 22nd Senate District
- Scott Gunderson, Waterford Representative, 83rd Assembly District
- Mike Bruhn, Waterford Rep. Scott Gunderson, 83rd Assembly District
- Jordan Austin, Fairfax National Rifle Association
- Al Lobner, Milladore WI Bear Hunters Assoc.
- Chandra Paulson, Spooner WI Bear Hunters Assoc.
- Christian Caliendo, Hartford Safari Club Intl
- Chris Caliendo, Hartford Safari Club Intl
- Erika Perlewitz, Waukesha Self
- Jeffrey Perlewitz, Waukesha Self
- Thomas Thoresen, Fitchburg WI League of Conservation Voters
- Bob Welch, Madison Hunters Rights Coalition
- Scott Maves, Oregon Nat'l Wild Turkey Federation
- Kathy Maves, Oregon Nat'l Wild Turkey Federation
- Michael Pjeuach, Hartland Self
- George Meyer, Madison WI Wildlife Federation
- Greg Kazmierski, Waukesha Safari Club Int'l
- Ed Krajcir, Waukesha Self
- Jessie Krajcir, Waukesha Self

Appearances Against

- Timothy Corden, Madison WI American Academy of Pediatrics
- James Slattery, Mazomanie Self
- Jill Fritz, Minneapolis The Humane Socity of the U.S.

Appearances for Information Only

• Randy Stark, Madison — WI DNR

Registrations For

- Neal Kedzie, Elkhorn Senator, 11th Senate District
- Patrick Gerbensky, Waukesha Self
- Dan Gunderson, Madison WI Outdoors Alliance
- Dean Hamilton, Waunakee As a Hunter Ed Instructor
- Mark Reihl, Middleton Self
- Bill Torhorst, Madison Hunter Rights Coalition

Registrations Against

• None.

Registrations for Information Only

• None.

March 5, 2008 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (7) Senators Breske, Plale, Erpenbach, Hansen,

Kapanke, Schultz and Leibham.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Kapanke, seconded by Senator Breske that **Senate Bill 529** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (6) Senators Breske, Plale, Erpenbach, Kapanke,

Schultz and Leibham.

Noes: (1) Senator Hansen.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 6, Noes 1

Elizabeth Piliouras Committee Clerk