

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Children and Families

Assembly Bill 421

Relating to: Indian child welfare.

By Representatives Hraychuck, Sherman, Grigsby, Roys, Pasch, Young, Berceau, Sinicki, Pope-Roberts, Seidel, Turner, Benedict, Hilgenberg, Shilling, Hubler, Clark, Mason, Nelson, Radcliffe, Soletski, Vruwink, Sheridan, Smith, Mursau, Roth, Kleefisch, Friske, Tauchen, Huebsch, Vos, Brooks and Ripp; cosponsored by Senators Jauch, Holperin, Vinehout, Coggs, Taylor, Lassa, Kreitlow, Lehman, Hansen, Robson, Risser, Plale, Erpenbach, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Olsen, Hopper and Schultz.

September 15, 2009 Referred to Committee on Children and Families.

September 16, 2009 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Robert Jauch — Senator
- Ann Hraychuck — Representative
- Gary Sherman — Representative
- Reginald Bicha, Madison — Secretary, Department of Children and Families
- Wilfrid Cleveland, Black River Falls — President, Ho Chunk Nation
- Gregory Miller, Bowler — Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe
- Eugene White-Fish — , Forest County Potawatomi Community
- Lewis Taylor — St. Croix Band
- Brandon Stevens — Oneida Business Committee
- Lisa Waukau — Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin
- Mark Tilden — Native American Rights Fund
- William Tuorne — Judge
- James Botsford, Wausau — Wisconsin Judicare
- Ginger Murray, Madison — Children & The Law Section of the State Bar
- Dennis Puzz, Jr, Minneapolis — Forest County Potawatomi
- Kris Goodwill, Black River Falls — Ho-Chunk Nation

- Carolyn Grzelak — St. Croix Band
- Elizabeth Haller, Neillsville
- Stephanie Lozano, Black River Falls
- Sandy White Hawk
- Todd Matha — Judge, Ho-Chunk Tribal Court
- Mark Mitchell, Madison — Department of Children and Families
- Mary Husby, Keshena — Menominee Indian Tribe
- Rob Orcutt — Oneida Nation
- Paul Stenzel, Shorewood
- Cyrus Behroozi, Madison — Division Administrator, DCF Division of Safety Services

Appearances Against

- Stephen Hayes, Waukesha
- Joan Korb — Wisconsin District Attorney's Association
- Rachael Cook, Fond du Lac
- Greta Sclavi, Fond du Lac

Appearances for Information Only

- Christopher Dee, Milwaukee — Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office
- Ryan Sclavi, Madison

Registrations For

- Scott Fitzgerald — Senator
- Jeff Mursau, Crivitz — Representative, 36th Assembly District
- Roger Roth — Representative
- Jeff Plale — Senator
- Leland Ninham, Oneida — WTJA
- Susan Crazy Thunder, Bayfield — Red Cliff Band
- Kitty Kocol, Madison — Wisconsin Court Appointed Special Advocate
- Karen Martin — Ho-Chunk Nation - Dept. of Health & Social Services
- Roberta Decorah, Tomah
- Dale Powless
- Cheryl Powless

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

September 30, 2009 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Grigsby, seconded by Representative Spanbauer that **LRB 784/3** be recommended for introduction.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Noes: (0) None.

INTRODUCTION OF LRB 784/3 RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Grigsby, seconded by Representative Pope-Roberts that **LRB 0784/3** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Noes: (0) None.

LRB 0784/3 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Grigsby, seconded by Representative Sinicki that **LRB 0789/1** be recommended for introduction.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Noes: (0) None.

INTRODUCTION OF LRB 0789/1 RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Grigsby, seconded by Representative Seidel that **LRB 0789/1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Noes: (0) None.

LRB 0789/1 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Grigsby, seconded by Representative Sinicki that **Assembly Bill 421** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Grigsby, Seidel, Pope-Roberts, Sinicki, Berceau, Kestell, Pridemore and Spanbauer.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0

Cindy McGinnis
Committee Clerk