

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Technical Colleges, and Consumer Protection

Senate Bill 308

Relating to: a requirement that an employer permit an employee who is a volunteer fire fighter, emergency medical technician, first responder, or ambulance driver for a volunteer fire department or fire company, a public agency, or a nonprofit corporation to be late for or absent from work if the lateness or absence is due to the employee responding to an emergency that begins before the employee is required to report to work.

By Senators Vinehout, Darling, Hansen, Harsdorf, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Olsen, Plale, Schultz, Taylor, Wirch and Robson; cosponsored by Representatives Gunderson, Berceau, Bies, Clark, Danou, Dexter, Garthwaite, Gottlieb, Hebl, Hintz, Hraychuck, Huebsch, Kerkman, LeMahieu, Lothian, Meyer, Milroy, Molepske Jr., Mursau, Murtha, Nerison, Nygren, A. Ott, Petersen, Petrowski, Pridemore, Ripp, Schneider, Sherman, Sinicki, Smith, Spanbauer, Steinbrink, Suder, Townsend, Vos, Vruwink, Zigmunt and Brooks.

September 24, 2009 Referred to Committee on Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Technical Colleges, and Consumer Protection.

October 14, 2009 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Wirch, Plale, Holperin, Hopper and Lazich.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Justin Klis, Racine — Wisconsin EMS Association
- Forbes McIntosh — Wisconsin EMS Association
- Joel Nilsestuen — On behalf of Senator Vinehout
- Michael Bruhn — On behalf of Representative Gunderson
- Timothy Lorenz, De Pere
- Dave Bloom — Chief, Wisconsin State Fire Chiefs Association
- Larry Plumer — Wisconsin State Firefighters Association
- Tim Whitham — Chief, Johnson Creek Fire and EMS
- Robert Fleege — Green County EMS

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- John Metcalf — Wis Manufacturers and Commerce
- Jeremy Levin — Rural Wisconsin Health Cooperative
- Judith Warmuth — Wisconsin Hospital Association

Registrations For

- Jeff Plale — Senator, 7th Senate District

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

November 4, 2009

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (5) Senators Wirch, Plale, Holperin, Hopper and Lazich.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Holperin, seconded by Senator Lazich that **Senate Amendment 2** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (5) Senators Wirch, Plale, Holperin, Hopper and Lazich.

Noes: (0) None.

ADOPTION OF SENATE AMENDMENT 2 RECOMMENDED,
Ayes 5, Noes 0

Moved by Senator Holperin, seconded by Senator Lazich that **Senate Bill 308** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (4) Senators Wirch, Plale, Holperin and Lazich.

Noes: (1) Senator Hopper.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 1

Michael Tierney
Committee Clerk