

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Tourism, Recreation and State Properties

Assembly Bill 563

Relating to: changes to the local room tax and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Bies, August, Ballweg, Brooks, Clark, A. Ott, Petersen, Tranel, Van Roy, Vos, Wynn and Tiffany; cosponsored by Senators Olsen, Holperin and Schultz.

February 14, 2012 Referred to Committee on Tourism, Recreation and State Properties.

February 22, 2012 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (12) Representatives Kaufert, Loudenbeck, Bies, Meyer, Bernier, Klenke, Tiffany, Steineke, Zepnick, Doyle, Hulsey and Hebl.
Absent: (2) Representatives Clark and Steinbrink.
Excused: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Garey Bies — Rep., 1st Assembly District
- Trisha Pugal, Brookfield — Wisconsin Hotel & Lodging Assoc.
- Connie Barbian, Fort Atkinson — IDM Group
- Lynn Peters, Appleton — Fox Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Julie Hertel, Sun Prairie — Wisconsin Association of Convention & Visitors Bureaus
- Ed Lump, Madison — Wisconsin Restaurant Assoc.
- Bob Dove, Neenah — Bridgewood Resort & Conference Center
- Dick Skare — Town of Gibraltar
- Bryan Nelson — Door County Tourism Zone Commission
- Greg Stillman, Fish Creek — Parkwood Lodge
- Fred Anderson, Sister Bay — Ashbrooke Door County Inc.
- David Lindelow, Walworth — The Abbey Resort
- Cary Kerger, Fontana — The Abbey Resort
- Kevin Gallagher, Milwaukee — Marcus Hotels & Resorts
- Kathi Kilgore — Wisconsin Hotel & Lodging Association

Appearances Against

- Dennis Jordan, Lake Geneva — Mayor, City of Lake Geneva

- Kevin Lahner, Burlington — Mayor, City of Burlington
- Gaylene Rhoden — Town of Rib Mountain
- Amy Wilson, Sheboygan — Sheboygan Tourism
- George Twohig, Sheboygan — Sheboygan Tourism
- Chad Pelishek, Sheboygan — City of Sheboygan
- Stephen McLean, Sheboygan — City of Sheboygan
- Louis Molepske — Rep., 71st Assembly District
- Larry MacDonald, Bayfield — Mayor, City of Bayfield
- Daniel Ertl, Brookfield — City of Brookfield
- Steven Ponto, Brookfield — Mayor, City of Brookfield
- Rick Czopp, Brookfield — Town of Brookfield - Town Administrator
- Keith Henderson — Town of Brookfield, Town Chairman
- Mary Motiff, Washburn — Bayfield County Tourism & Recreation Dept.
- Nicholas Zavos, Madison — City of Madison
- Curt Witynski, Madison — League of Wisconsin Municipalities
- Danielle Maxwell-Parker, Turtle Lake — Village of Turtle Lake

Appearances for Information Only

- Robert Kufirin, Sister Bay — Door County Tourism Zone Commission

Registrations For

- Luther Olsen — Senator, 14th Senate District
- Jim Holperin — Senator, 12th Senate District
- Mike & Gayle Hohner, Burlington — Burlington Chamber & Hillcrest Inn Bed & Breakfast
- Kris Ullmer, Merrill — Wisconsin Bed & Breakfast Assoc.
- Jeffrey Machut, Monona
- Chet Gerlach, Madison — Association of Wisconsin Tourism Attractions
- Roberta Eichelberg, Madison — Best Western Inntowner & Highland Club
- Patricia Chang, Madison — Bestwestern Inntowner & the Highland Club
- Christine Rebout, Janesville — Janesville Area Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Matthew Kealy, Janesville — Kealy's Kafe & Matt's Dog House
- James Belmont, Madison — Bestwestern InnTowner & the Highland Club
- Jason Salus, Madison — Hatchery Hill Hotels

- Gailden Moore, Madison — Bestwester InnTowner & the Highland Club
- Dave Black — Real Racine Visitors Center
- Randee Talmar, Madison — Bestwestern West Towne Suites
- Laura Gronna, Madison — The Campus Inn
- Bill Wellman, Madison — The Campus Inn
- Michael Serpe — Door County

Registrations Against

- Nancy Justman, Brookfield — Brookfield Convention & Visitors Bureau
- James Amodeo, Sheboygan — City of Sheboygan

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

March 15, 2012

Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

Adam Field
Committee Clerk