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PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS**

2013-14

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Assembly

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Committee on...

**State Affairs and Government Operations
(AC-SAGO)**

INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

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Present: (13) Representative Weininger; Representatives Swearingen, Craig, Kleefisch, Knodl, Neylon, Kooyenga, Hutton, Nass, Zamarripa, Ringhand, Kahl and Hulsey.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (3) Representatives Ripp, Sinicki and Kessler.

Moved by Representative Kleefisch, seconded by Representative Nass that **Senate Bill 63** be recommended for concurrence.

Ayes: (13) Representative Weininger; Representatives Swearingen, Craig, Kleefisch, Knodl, Neylon, Kooyenga, Hutton, Nass, Zamarripa, Ringhand, Kahl and Hulsey.

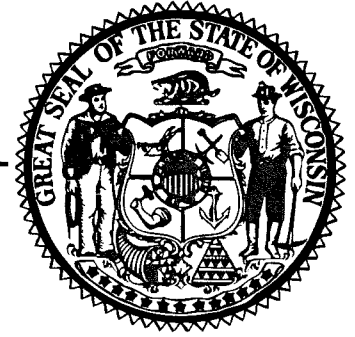
Noes: (0) None.

Absent: (3) Representatives Ripp, Sinicki and Kessler.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 13, Noes 0

Alison Zikmund
Committee Clerk

FRED A. RISSER
Wisconsin State Senator



February 17, 2014

Representative Chad Weininger
Chair, Assembly Committee on State Affairs and Government Operations
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Dear Representative Weininger,

Thank you for holding this public hearing and Executive Session on Senate Bill 63 which has passed in the Senate unanimously.

This legislation will change the composition of SCERB (the State Capitol and Executive Residence Board) to give the Governor greater authority to appoint members to the Board to reflect topical interests.

SCERB was established in 1967 to oversee the long-term preservation of the Capitol and Executive Residence.

Statutorily, the Board includes 7 citizen members appointed to staggered terms who are selected for their professional expertise in addition to six legislators, representing each party in each house of the legislature.

Current law dictates that the board must include two architects, one landscape architect, and three interior designers. This membership requirement was advantageous as the Board managed the restoration of the Capitol during the 1990s.

The responsibilities of the board have shifted since that time, however, and additional membership flexibility would be valuable. SB 63 allows for such flexibility by reducing the required interior design position from three to two.


The intent of SB 63 is to eliminate an unnecessary structural requirement and give the Governor, as an appointing power, the opportunity to broaden the expertise of SCERB membership.

This bill was introduced last session as SB 87. It passed Judiciary 5-0 and passed in the Senate. It was then referred to the Committee on Assembly Rules, but no action was taken.

It should be noted that this bill has no fiscal effect.

As the current chair of SCERB and a co-author of this bill, I appreciate the committee's consideration of SB 63.

Most sincerely,


Fred A. Risser
Wisconsin State Senator

FAR:cj

CC: Representative Rob Swearingen
Representative Joel Kleefisch
Representative Daniel Knodl
Representative Keith Ripp
Representative Adam Neylon
Representative Dale Kooyenga
Representative Rob Hutton
Representative Stephen Nass
Representative David Craig
Representative Christine Sinicki
Representative JoCasta Zamarripa
Representative Janis Ringhand
Representative Frederick Kessler
Representative Robb Kahl
Representative Brett Hulsey