

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Agriculture

Assembly Bill 727

Relating to: creating a commercial nitrogen optimization pilot program, providing crop insurance rebates for cover crops, creating a hydrogeologist position, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Kitchens, Novak, Tranel, Shankland, Krug, Hong, Milroy, Mursau, Neubauer, Oldenburg, Penterman, Plumer, Tauchen, Petryk, Subeck, Spiros, Considine, Pope, Vining, Spreitzer, Ohnstad, Conley and Tusler; cosponsored by Senators Cowles, Testin, Ballweg, Bernier, Petrowski, Pfaff, Ringhand, Roys, Smith and Wimberger.

December 02, 2021 Referred to Committee on Agriculture

January 05, 2022 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (11) Representative Tauchen; Representatives Oldenburg, Tranel, Kitchens, Novak, Pronschinske, Plumer, Considine, Shankland, Spreitzer and Vruwink.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (4) Representatives VanderMeer, Mursau, Moses and L. Myers.

Appearances For

- Sen Rob Cowles - 2nd Senate
- Rep. Joel Kitchens
- Rep. Kristana Shankland - AD 71
- Jennifer Wickman - Cooperative Network
- Nicole Wagner - Insight FS/Growmark
- Nick Levendofsky - WI Farmers Union
- Keith Ripp - Farm Bureau
- Chad Zulegar - DBA
- Erik Kanter - Clean Wisconsin
- Doug ReBout - Wis Corn Growers

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- Sara Walling - DATCP
- Craig Summerfield - WMC

- Lane Runland - Venture Dairy / Wi Dairy Alliance
- Marty Wessman - WI DNR
- Shandy Chancelliar - WI DNR

Registrations For

- Tom Bresner - WI Agri-Business Association
- Matt Krueger - WI Land and Water Association
- Sen Patrick Testin - SD 24
- James Houlihan - Wis Potato and Vegetable
- Bob Welch - Wisconsin Corn Growers Association
- Jason Culotta - Midwest Food Products Association
- Dr Ken Bradbury - WI Geological and Natural History
- Brandon Scholz - Wisconsin Wetlands Association
- Jordan Lamb - Wisconsin Association of Professional Agricultural Consultants
- Jordan Lamb - WIS. State Cranberry Growers Association
- Jordan Lamb - WI Soybean Association
- Jordan Lamb - WIS Pork Association
- Jordan Lamb - Wis Cattlemen's Association

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

February 08, 2022

Executive Session Held

Present: (13) Representative Tauchen; Representatives Oldenburg, Tranel, VanderMeer, Mursau, Novak, Pronschinske, Plumer, Moses, Considine, Shankland, Spreitzer and Vruwink.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (2) Representatives Kitchens and L. Myers.

Moved by Representative Shankland, seconded by Representative VanderMeer that **Assembly Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (13) Representative Tauchen; Representatives Oldenburg, Tranel, VanderMeer, Mursau, Novak, Pronschinske, Plumer, Moses, Considine, Shankland, Spreitzer and Vruwink.

Noes: (0) None.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED,
Ayes 13, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Shankland, seconded by Representative Mursau that **Assembly Bill 727** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (13) Representative Tauchen; Representatives Oldenburg, Tranel, VanderMeer, Mursau, Novak, Pronschinske, Plumer, Moses, Considine, Shankland, Spreitzer and Vruwink.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 13, Noes 0

Rep. Myers remotely attended the Executive Session and indicated the Representative would have voted in the affirmative.

Craig Arrowood
Committee Clerk