Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Education

Senate Bill 454
Relating to: reading readiness assessments and granting rule-making authority.
By Senators Bernier, Darling, Felzkowski, Jacque and Wanggaard; cosponsored
by Representatives Kitchens, Thiesfeldt, Allen, Armstrong, Brandtjen, Cabral-Guevara,
Dittrich, James, Knodl, Mursau, Rozar, Schraa, Snyder, Tusler, Wichgers and
Summerfield.

July 21, 2021 Referred to Committee on Education

October 06, 2021 Public Hearing Held

Present: (7) Senator Darling; Senators Bernier, Nass, Jagler,
Larson, Smith and Johnson.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (0) None.

Appearances For
- Senator Kathy Bernier - 23rd Senate District
- Representative Joel Kitchens - Assembly District 1
- Andy Zoldak
- Dr Steven Dykstra - Wisconsin Reading Coalition
- Ginger Zoldak
- Julie Flikke - Representing myself
- Literacy Consultant Danielle Thompson
- National Director Laura Stewart - The Reading League
- Literacy Consultant Margie Gillis
- Rachel Koeferl
- Nichole McLaughlin - Parent and literacy advocate
- Ms Nancy Dressel - Parent, educator, former school
  board, tax payer
- Mr. John Humphries - Self
- Rep Jeremy Thiesfeldt
- Katie Kasubaski - Decoding Dyslexia WI
- Kari Baumann - Decoding DyslexiaWI
- Misty Powers - Myself
- Mrs Andrea Hedquist - Myself
- Kimber Liedl - Self, parent
- Prof Mark Seidenberg - Self
- Dr Laura Houser
- MS Cheryl Ward - Various lrgs and myself as a private tutor and parent
- Andrew Davis - MMAC
- Kimberlee Coronado - My children and I
- Andrew Coronado

**Appearances Against**
- President Peggy Wirtz-Olsen - Wisconsin Education Association Council
- Deborah Cromer - Self
- Debra Zarling - Wisconsin State Reading Association
- Tom McCarthy - DPI
- Dan Rossmiller - Wisconsin Association of School Boards
- John Forester - School Administrators Alliance, Wisconsin Retired Educators Association

**Appearances for Information Only**
- Dr. Kymyona Burk - The Foundation for Excellence in Education
- Angela Hanlin

**Registrations For**
- Rep Ron Tusler - Ad3
- CEO Kelly Butler - Barksdale Reading Institute
- President Robert Meyer - Ventris learning
- Miss Monica Moreland - Self
- Mrs. Bonnie Kalla Moreland - Growing Confidence, LLC
- Mr Chad Hedquist - Myself
- Ms. Kim Feller-janus - Feller school and auburn reading center families
- Amy Jo Behling MS Ed - Reading Teachers and Special Education Teachers

**Registrations Against**
- None.

**Registrations for Information Only**
- None.

October 21, 2021  **Executive Session Held by Paper Ballot**
Present: (7) Senator Darling; Senators Bernier, Nass, Jagler, Larson, Smith and Johnson.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (0) None.

Moved by that **Senate Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (3) Senators Larson, Smith and Johnson.
Noes: (4) Senator Darling; Senators Bernier, Nass and Jagler.

**SENATE AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION, Ayes 3, Noes 4**

Moved by that **Senate Amendment 2** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (3) Senators Larson, Smith and Johnson.
Noes: (4) Senator Darling; Senators Bernier, Nass and Jagler.

**SENATE AMENDMENT 2 ADOPTION, Ayes 3, Noes 4**

Moved by that **Senate Amendment 3** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (7) Senator Darling; Senators Bernier, Nass, Jagler, Larson, Smith and Johnson.
Noes: (0) None.

**SENATE AMENDMENT 3 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0**

Moved by that **Senate Bill 454** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (4) Senator Darling; Senators Bernier, Nass and Jagler.
Noes: (3) Senators Larson, Smith and Johnson.

**PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 3**