

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Colleges and Universities

Assembly Bill 551

Relating to: freedom of speech and of the press in school-sponsored media.

By Representatives Michalski, Murphy, Behnke, Brandtjen, Dittrich, Goeben, Gundrum, Maxey, O'Connor, Penterman, Rettinger, S. Johnson and Jacobson; cosponsored by Senators Cabral-Guevara, Tomczyk and Spreitzer.

October 23, 2023 Referred to Committee on Colleges and Universities

October 26, 2023 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (15) Representative Murphy; Representatives Nedweski, Moses, Wittke, Krug, Goeben, Schutt, S. Johnson, Michalski, O'Connor, Emerson, Stubbs, Joers, Shankland and J. Anderson.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Appearances For

- State Representative Tom Michalski - Wisconsin State Assembly
- Michael Mosaicke - State Senator Rachael Cabral-Guevara
- Simon Mehring - New Voices Wisconsin
- Joe Cohn - F.I.R.E.
- Laura Streyle
- Matthew Smith - Wis. Journalism Education Association

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- Dr. Jacqueline Pfeffer-Merrill - Bipartisan Policy Center
- Jeff Buhandt - Universities of Wisconsin

Registrations For

- State Senator Rachael Cabral-Guevara - Wisconsin State Senate
- Kellen Hoard
- Beth Bennett - Wisconsin Newspaper Association

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

November 02, 2023 **Executive Session Held**

Present: (14) Representative Murphy; Representatives Nedweski, Moses, Wittke, Krug, Goeben, Schutt, S. Johnson, Michalski, O'Connor, Stubbs, Joers, Shankland and J. Anderson.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (1) Representative Emerson.

Moved by Representative Michalski, seconded by Representative Johnson that **Assembly Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (14) Representative Murphy; Representatives Nedweski, Moses, Wittke, Krug, Goeben, Schutt, S. Johnson, Michalski, O'Connor, Stubbs, Joers, Shankland and J. Anderson.

Noes: (0) None.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED,
Ayes 14, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Michalski, seconded by Representative Shankland that **Assembly Bill 551** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (14) Representative Murphy; Representatives Nedweski, Moses, Wittke, Krug, Goeben, Schutt, S. Johnson, Michalski, O'Connor, Stubbs, Joers, Shankland and J. Anderson.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 14, Noes 0

Steve Knudson
Committee Clerk