

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Education

Assembly Bill 900

Relating to: reductions to state aid paid to school districts for payments made under parental choice programs and the Special Needs Scholarship Program.

By Representatives Schutt, Maxey, Allen, Behnke, Bodden, Brandtjen, Dittrich, Donovan, Edming, Goeben, Hurd, Magnafici, Melotik, Michalski, Moses, Nedweski, Penterman, Rettinger, Rodriguez, Rozar, Schmidt, Tusler, Wichgers, Wittke and Murphy; cosponsored by Senators Jagler, Hutton, Feyen, Cabral-Guevara, Kapenga, Knodl, Nass, Quinn, Stafsholt, Stroebel, Testin, Tomczyk and Wanggaard.

January 04, 2024 Referred to Committee on Education

February 07, 2024 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (14) Representative Kitchens; Representatives
Dittrich, Binsfeld, Duchow, Mursau, Nedweski,
Rozar, Wichgers, Wittke, Shelton, Considine,
Myers, Andraca and Hong.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (1) Representative Penterman.

Appearances For

- Representative Ellen Schutt - 31st Assembly District
- Representative Joel Kitchens - 1st Assembly District
- Senator Duey Stroebel - 20th Senate District
- Senator John Jagler - 13th Senate District
- Representative Dave Maxey - 15th Assembly District
- Patrick Miller - New Berlin School District
- Kaleem Care - One City Schools
- Nicholas Kelly - President, School Choice Wisconsin
- Kimberly Desotell - Green Bay Area Catholic Education
- Melissa Wolcanski - Green Bay Area Catholic Education
- Amy Loudenbeck - School Choice Wisconsin
- Nick Anderson - Green Bay Area Catholic Education

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- Tom McCarthy - Department of Public Instruction
- Russ Kava - Legislative Fiscal Bureau

- John Stellmacher - Kettle Moraine School District

Registrations For

- Andrew Davis - Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce
- Rachel VerVelde - Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce
- Paul Rozeski - Wisconsin Property Taxpayers
- Megan Novak - Americans for Prosperity
- Kyle Koenen - Wisconsin Institute of Law and Liberty
- Jim Bender - Wisconsin Independent Charter Advocates, Yes Every Kid, Badger Institute, Lincoln Academy

Registrations Against

- Jack O'Meara - WEAC

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

February 14, 2024

Executive Session Held

Present: (15) Representative Kitchens; Representatives Dittrich, Binsfeld, Duchow, Mursau, Nedweski, Penterman, Rozar, Wichgers, Wittke, Shelton, Considine, Myers, Andraca and Hong.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Penterman, seconded by Representative Wichgers that **Assembly Substitute Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (10) Representative Kitchens; Representatives Dittrich, Binsfeld, Duchow, Mursau, Nedweski, Penterman, Rozar, Wichgers and Wittke.

Noes: (5) Representatives Shelton, Considine, Myers, Andraca and Hong.

**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION
RECOMMENDED, Ayes 10, Noes 5**

Moved by Representative Penterman, seconded by Representative Dittrich that **Assembly Bill 900** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (10) Representative Kitchens; Representatives
Dittrich, Binsfeld, Duchow, Mursau,
Nedweski, Penterman, Rozar, Wichgers and
Wittke.

Noes: (5) Representatives Shelton, Considine, Myers,
Andraca and Hong.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 10, Noes 5

Bob Delaporte
Committee Clerk