

## Assembly

## Record of Committee Proceedings

## Committee on State Affairs

# Assembly Bill 198

Relating to: emergency medical services education, tuition and materials reimbursement for emergency medical responders and emergency medical services practitioners, and a live 911 pilot program.

By Representatives Kurtz, Novak, Summerfield, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gustafson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Maxey, Melotik, Murphy, Mursau, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Piwowarczyk, Steffen, Subeck, VanderMeer and Nedweski; cosponsored by Senators Marklein, James, Cabral-Guevara, Nass, Pfaff and Testin.

April 15, 2025      Referred to Committee on State Affairs

April 23, 2025      **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (9) Representative Swearingen; Representatives Green, Summerfield, Moses, Spiros, Piowarczyk, Sinicki, Kirsch and Roe.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (1) Representative Wittke.

## Appearances For

- Michael Jessen - Richland County EMS
- Lynn Kirschbaum - Glen Haven Fire and EMS
- Bruce Henner - Fort Atkinson Fire Dept.
- Logan Fuller - The Village of Winneconne
- Alan DeYoung - Wisconsin EMS Association
- Chanse Kaczmarzky - WI EMS Association
- Valerie Bruggeman - Superior Ambulance
- Martha Augustine - Superior Ambulance
- Michelle Krysiak - Supior Ambulance
- Robert Whitaker - North Shore Fire Dept
- Matt Schueke - Village of Mcfarland
- Toni Herkert - League of WI Municipalities
- Joe Dulvermacher - WI State Fire Chiefs
- Steve Denzien - WI State Fire Chiefs
- Rep. Tony Kurtz - Wisconsin State Assembly
- Sen. Howard Marklein - Wisconsin State Senate
- Jerry Biggart - Professional Fire Fighter of WI

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- James Small - Wisconsin Office of Rural Health
- Layla Merrifield - Wisconsin Technical College System

Registrations For

- Wayne Jurecki - Bell Ambulance
- Chris Anderson - Professional Ambulance Association of Wisconsin
- Damian Kruse - Mauston Area Ambulance
- Tim Fiocchi - WI Farm Bureau
- George Klaetsch - WI State Fire Chiefs Association
- Matthew Jaggar - City of Eau Claire Fire Dept
- Chris Klahn - WI State Firefighters Association
- David Wiese - City of Omro
- Steve Bakos - Marshfield Fire and Rescue
- Rep. Duke Tucker - Wisconsin State Assembly
- Ben O'Connell - Emplify Health
- Joe Ruth - WI Towns Association
- Christopher Leopold - Mauston Area Ambulance
- Mark Thomas

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

June 04, 2025

**Executive Session Held**

Present: (10) Representative Swearingen; Representatives Green, Summerfield, Moses, Wittke, Spiros, Piwowarczyk, Sinicki, Kirsch and Roe.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Spiros, seconded by Representative Moses that **Assembly Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (10) Representative Swearingen; Representatives Green, Summerfield, Moses, Wittke, Spiros, Piwowarczyk, Sinicki, Kirsch and Roe.

Noes: (0) None.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED,  
Ayes 10, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Spiros, seconded by Representative  
Moses that **Assembly Bill 198** be recommended for passage as  
amended.

Ayes: (10) Representative Swearingen; Representatives  
Green, Summerfield, Moses, Wittke, Spiros,  
Piwowarczyk, Sinicki, Kirsch and Roe.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 10, Noes 0

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Emmett Smith  
Committee Clerk