

## Senate

### Record of Committee Proceedings

#### **Committee on Universities and Revenue**

##### **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.

November 09, 2023 Referred to Committee on Universities and Revenue

December 05, 2023 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (7) Senator Hutton; Senators Nass, Ballweg, Cabral-Guevara, Larson, Roys and Smith.  
Absent: (0) None.  
Excused: (1) Senator James.

##### Appearances For

- State Representative Tom Michalski - 13th Assembly District
- Student Eleanor Scholtus - Wauwatosa West High School Journalism Program
- Student Ava Kleist-Parker - Wauwatosa West High School Journalism Program
- Student Journey Taylor - Wauwatosa West High School Journalism Program
- Student Avianah Zarnowski - Wauwatosa West High School Journalism Program
- Student Sarah Ho - Wauwatosa West High School Journalism Program
- Student Aidan Barney - Wauwatosa West High School Journalism Program
- Jonathan Gaston-Falk - Student Press Law Center
- Simon Mehring - New Voices Wisconsin
- Matthew Smith - Wisconsin Journalism Education Association
- Laura Streyle - New Voices Wisconsin
- Student Sara Stanislawski - Student Journalists
- Executive Director Nicholas RAMOS - Wisconsin Democracy Campaign
- Alan Cruz - Simpson Street Free Press

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- Jeff Buhandt - Universities of Wisconsin

Registrations For

- State Senator Rachael Cabral-Guevara - 19th Senate District
- Beth Bennett - WI Newspaper Association
- Podcast Adviser/Journalism Instructor Michelle Corbett - Indian Trail High School & Academy Yearbook

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

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Patrick Kanarowski  
Committee Clerk