

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Utilities and Technology

Senate Bill 481

Relating to: an incumbent transmission facility owner's right to construct, own, and maintain certain transmission facilities and Public Service Commission procedures if the transmission facility is a regionally cost-shared transmission line.

By Senators Bradley, Marklein and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Petersen, Mursau, O'Connor, Plumer, Steffen and Wichgers.

October 04, 2023 Referred to Committee on Utilities and Technology

October 09, 2023 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (5) Senator Bradley; Senators Wanggaard, Quinn, Smith and Pfaff.

Absent: (0) None.

Excused: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Senator Julian Bradley
- Representative Kevin Petersen
- Karl Hoesly - Xcel
- Tony Clark - American Transmission Company
- William Marsan - American Transmission Company
- Michael Hofbauer - American Transmission Company
- Marc Spitzer - Edison Electric Institute
- Chris Ventura - Consumer Energy Alliance
- Brad Jackson - Wisconsin Utilities Association
- Bill Skewes - WUA
- Joseph Owen - WPPI Energy
- Tyler Vorpapel - Municipal Electronic Utilities of Wisconsin
- Brian Rhodes - Hartford Utilities
- Nick Kumm - Marshfield Utilities
- Representative Karen Hurd

Appearances Against

- Tim Stewart - Clark Electric Cooperative
- Ben Porath - Dairyland Power
- Jennifer Shilling - Dairyland Power
- Megan Novak - Americans for Prosperity
- Josiah Neeley - R Street Institute

- Nathan LaFrance - Ahlstrom
- Randel Pilo - WIEG
- Pat Henderson - Quad Graphics
- Todd Stuart - WIEG
- Thomas Content - Citizens Utility Board of Wisconsin
- Shayla Tillman - Myself
- Willie Collier - Myself

Appearances for Information Only

- Robert Kuzman - MISO

Registrations For

- Steven Conway - ITC Holdings
- Zachary Hill - Alliant energy
- Matthew Spencer - MGE
- Cory Gall - Wisconsin Pipe Trades Association
- Joel Haubrich - WEC Energy Group, WE Energies and Wis. Public Service

Registrations Against

- Jason Culotta - Midwest Food Products Association
- Rob Richard - Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association
- Lila Shower - Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative
- Rob Richard - Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association
- Shane Larson - Rock Energy Cooperative
- Jennifer Wickman - Cooperative Network
- Erik Kanter - Clean Wisconsin
- Royce Lockett
- John West - Adams-Columbia Electric Cooperative
- John Schulze - ABC
- Martha Cranley - AARP
- Jamiroquan Kittler
- Kyle Koenen - WILL

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

November 10, 2023 **Executive Session Held by Paper Ballot**

Present: (5) Senator Bradley; Senators Wanggaard, Quinn,
Smith and Pfaff.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (0) None.

Moved that **Senate Bill 481** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (4) Senator Bradley; Senators Wanggaard,
Smith and Pfaff.

Noes: (1) Senator Quinn.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 1

Lucas Fuller
Committee Clerk