

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
DECEMBER 11, 2007**

Honorable Mayor and Common Council
City of West Allis, Wisconsin

The Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, to discuss proposed bills pending before the Wisconsin Legislature.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeannette Bell
Paul Ziehler, City Administrative Officer, Clerk/Treasurer
Scott Post, City Attorney
Gary Schmid, Manager of Finance

EXCUSED: Ald. Jim Sengstock

LEAGUE: 42-43

1. REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION

- AB582/
SB335** **ALLOWING PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE SUMMARIES**
FAVOR, because the bill would allow publication of ordinance summaries rather than the entire ordinance, thus reducing city publication costs.
- AB584/
SB322** **EXEMPTING RESTAURANTS FROM LIQUOR LICENSE QUOTA**
Previously taken "No Position" on 11/20/07.
- SB331/
AB599** **REGULATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND HIGHWAY PROJECTS INVOLVING DOWNTOWN AREAS**
Refer to John Stibal.
- SB337** **DISCLOSURE OF COST INFORMATION BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND INSURERS**
No position.

1. **REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION Cont'd.**

AB537 **NOTIFYING A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WHEN CERTAIN PERSONS ARE RELEASED FROM THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS**

Refer to Dean Puschnig.

AB549 **OPTIONAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT FOR VOTING IN ELECTIONS**

Refer to Paul Ziehler.

SB323 **USE OF A FACSIMILE FIREARM AND PROVIDING A PENALTY**

No position.

2. **REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION**

SB296 **ENFORCEMENT OF TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS THROUGH IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLE**

No position.

AB580/
SB329 **OPTIONAL PROCESS FOR OBJECTING TO PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS**

FAVOR, because the bill would require a property owner to also present a case on the appeal of the property tax assessment to the Board of Review, thus making the process more balanced.

AB581 **PROHIBITS USING EMERGENCY POWERS TO RESTRICT USE OF FIREARMS**

No position.

SB299 **DISTRIBUTION OF A PORTION OF THE SCHOOL LEVY TAX CREDIT**

FAVOR, because the bill would result in additional state aid for the WA-WM School District.

AB522 **ACCESS TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE REQUESTS AND INVESTIGATIVE RECORDS IN MULTIPLE CUSTODIANSHIP AND REDIRECTION OF CERTAIN RECORDS ACCESS REQUESTS**

No position.

2. REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION Cont'd.

AB528 USE OF TRAFFIC CONTROL PHOTOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS TO MONITOR INTERSECTIONS, IMPOSING LIABILITY ON THE OWNERS OF VEHICLES INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL VIOLATIONS, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY
No position.

3. OTHER

- a.) Outstanding Referrals.
None.
- b.) Communications.
- Letter dated November 30, 2007 from Gov. Doyle in regard to the Video Competition Act (AB207).
 - Letter dated November 30, 2007 from Sen. Sullivan in regard to Tree USA Award for City.

Jeannette Bell, Mayor