

Rep. Skowronski: Thanks Assembly Committee on Jobs & the Economy

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(Madison) – Rep. Ken Skowronski (R-Franklin) would like to thank Representative Adam Neylon and the members of the Assembly Committee on Jobs & the Economy for passing AB 589 today.

This bipartisan legislation authored by myself, Rep. Brostoff (D-Milwaukee), Rep. Kleefisch (R-Oconomowoc) and Senator Patrick Testin (R-Stevens Point) aims to restructure the current system for licensing sign language interpreters. Assembly Bill 589 will create qualification levels and gives the opportunity for interpreters to gain employment faster, all while protecting the consumers that use the services.

“Working to draft this legislation with organizations such as Wisconsin Association of the Deaf and Wisconsin Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf was key.” said Rep. Skowronski. “I am honored to be an author of this legislation, and to have had the chance to work with such a great community.”

I look forward to seeing AB 589 on the Assembly Floor for a full vote in early February. Until then, we will continue to work with the Senate on moving this bill along.