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## Representative Kurtz's Star Spangled Banner Act

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**MADISON** – Representative Tony Kurtz's (R-Wonewoc) Star Spangled Banner Act, <u>Assembly Bill 226</u>, received a public hearing today, Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Assembly Bill 226 requires the National Anthem to be played at sporting events that are held in a venue that was constructed, at least in part, with public dollars.

Was Heard Today in the Wisconsin State Assembly

"It was an honor to have the opportunity to testify today in front of the <u>Assembly Committee</u> on <u>State Affairs</u> on a piece of legislation that I authored with Senator Testin, the Star Spangled Banner Act; Assembly Bill 226. I would like to thank the Chairman and committee members for holding a public hearing and allowing me to speak about the importance of this piece of legislation. One simple way of reminding our fellow Wisconsinites of the sacrifices that our service men and women have made is the playing of our national anthem.

I would also like to thank the Wisconsin American Legion and the Wisconsin Veterans of Foreign Wars for their support of this bill as well as providing testimony today at the public hearing."

Following the public hearing, the next step for the Star Spangled Banner Act is an executive session. In the executive session, members of the Assembly Committee on State Affairs will vote to pass the bill out of the committee.

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