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"We Hope Wisconsin Will Go Big for Small Business!"

MADISON–The Senate Committee on Insurance and Small Business held a public hearing today on Senate Bill 463 which creates a one-stop opportunity shop that streamlines the process businesses have with state agencies, providing small business owners with an easy-to-use resource that saves them time and money. With this portal, small business owners will be able to access information on state and local government bidding opportunities, economic development programs, educational and networking opportunities, licensing or permit requirements, and taxes and fees associated with their businesses. We anticipate this one-stop shop will also save small businesses, local municipalities, and taxpayers money.

Rep. Francesca Hong (D-Madison) released the following statement:

"Senate Bill 463 takes a collaborative approach to bolstering small businesses here in Wisconsin by streamlining bureaucratic procedures that are otherwise burdensome for prospective entrepreneurs. It is imperative that we create a business landscape in our state where success is propelled not by administrative hurdles, but by the resilience and ingenuity of our small business owners. It is time to go big for small business!"

Rep. Robyn Vining (D-Wauwatosa) released the following statement:

"I am encouraged by the positive energy in the Senate committee today! Thank you! When we go big for small businesses, small business families can invest more time in their businesses and families, rather than navigating the complex web of information they need to start or maintain their small businesses. SB 463 is a win for small businesses, a win for Wisconsin families, and a win for Wisconsin taxpayers. We hope SB 463 is signed into law so we can move Wisconsin forward, *together*!"

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