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## Counsel for Wisconsin Right to Life Testifies on Free Speech Principles for Campaign Finance Bill

"After we worked so hard in court to fight for First Amendment principles that previously went unprotected in Wisconsin campaign-finance law, we could not be happier that the Wisconsin State

Legislature is taking a hard look at Wisconsin campaign-finance law, to ensure that it now can be constitutional," stated Randy Elf, counsel for Wisconsin Right to Life. Inc, and Wisconsin Right to Life, State Political Action Committee. "This will help ensure that, regardless of anyone's political persuasion, all can participate in public debate and provide information relevant to the issues they care about."

Randy Elf testified at the Oct. 13 joint hearing for SB 292/AB 387, a bill that revamps Wisconsin's long-outdated and unconstitutionally vague and overbroad campaign-finance law. He represented WRTL and WRTL-SPAC in the Barland-I and Barland-II appeals in federal court. His testimony centered on the fact that free speech principles apply to any organization, large or small, on any side of any issue.

"We would like to sincerely thank Chairs Devin LeMahieu and Kathy Bernier, and all the members of the Senate Elections and Local Government Committee and the Assembly Campaigns and Elections Committee, for their time and attentiveness to the suggestions we made to strengthen an already well-written and well thought out bill," he said. "We are glad that all committee members took seriously the task ahead

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of them to ensure that Wisconsin's campaign-finance law allows for a vibrant exchange of ideas where no one is silenced due to confusion surrounding the law, or due to unconstitutional burdens on their right to free speech."

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