

STATE OF WISCONSIN
Assembly Journal

Ninetieth Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

TUESDAY, February 26, 1991

The assembly met.
Representative Musser in the chair.
The assembly dispensed with the call of the roll.

Submitted by Department of Transportation.
To committee on Urban Infrastructure.
Referred on February 26, 1991.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Read and referred:

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 89-35

Relating to certification of instructional programs and competency evaluation programs for nurse assistants and home health aides and operation of a registry of persons who have satisfactorily completed a certified instructional and competency evaluation program.

Submitted by Department of Health and Social Services.

To committee on Public Health and Regulation.

Referred on February 26, 1991.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-210

Relating to the hunting of wild turkeys.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

To committee on Tourism and Recreation.

Referred on February 26, 1991.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-215

Relating to sustainable agricultural demonstration grant program approval requirements.

Submitted by Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

To committee on Agriculture, Aquaculture and Forestry.

Referred on February 26, 1991.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-225

Relating to the municipal clean drinking water grant program.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

To committee on Environmental Resources, Utilities and Mining.

Referred on February 26, 1991.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-228

Relating to the administration of the all-terrain vehicle program.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

To committee on Tourism and Recreation.

Referred on February 26, 1991.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-236

Relating to the urban mass transit operating assistance program.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on State Affairs reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 10

Relating to requests for increased appropriations to state agencies.

Passage: Ayes: (7) Noes: (3)

To committee on Rules.

JOHN MEDINGER
Chairperson

COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Department of State
Madison

To Whom It May Concern:

Acts, joint resolutions and resolutions, deposited in this office, have been numbered and published as follows:

Resolution No.	Enrolled No.	Publication date
Assembly Jt. Res. 7	-----2-----	February 28, 1991

Sincerely,
DOUGLAS La FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

February 13, 1991

Representative Walter Kunicki
Speaker-Wisconsin State Assembly
Room 211 West, State Capitol
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Speaker and Dear Wally:

In accordance with the rules of the Assembly, I am writing to inform you that as Chairperson of the Assembly Committee on Agriculture, Aquaculture and Forestry I have established the following subcommittees of the committee for the 1991-92 Legislative Session:

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE

Representative Harvey Stower, Chairperson;
Representatives Richard Grobschmidt, Barbara Gronemus, Wilfrid Turba.

Purpose: To review legislation introduced relating to Aquaculture, and to develop a comprehensive legislation program for the development and promotion of Aquaculture industries in Wisconsin.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTRY

Representative Jerome Schwartz, Chairperson;
Representatives Barbara Gronemus and Alvin Ott.

Purpose: To review and develop legislation in the affirmative economic interests of Wisconsin's Forestry industries.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE FUTURE OF FAMILY FARMING

Representative David Clarenbach, Chairperson;
Representatives Virgil Roberts, Brad Zweck, John Ainsworth and Sheila Harsdorf.

Purpose: To develop and promote legislation which will provide short-term and long-term state assistance of benefits to the foundation of Wisconsin Agriculture, the family farm.

Respectfully submitted.

Sincerely,
BARBARA GRONEMUS
Chair, Committee on
Agriculture, Aquaculture & Forestry

State of Wisconsin
Department of Health and Social Services
Madison

January 10, 1991

Section 3023 (3fc) of 1989 Wisconsin Act 31 directs the Department to submit, by January 1, 1991, to the chief clerk of each house of the Legislature, a plan of implementation for a system which would assess Medicaid residents of nursing homes according to their functional levels, health conditions and service needs. The Department was also directed to identify further study needed in order to use the system to determine the quality of care provided by facilities and the Medicaid reimbursement of facilities. For a number of reasons, which are explained below, the Department will be unable to meet the January 1, 1991 date for completion of the plan.

Delay in completing the plan is mainly related to federal requirements contained in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (OBRA 87) regarding collection of nursing home resident data referred to as the minimum data set. This minimum data set is the same information needed to develop the plan mandated in Act 31. Until a meeting last fall with the nursing home

industry, the Department and federal Health Care Financing Administration officials, many issues were unresolved regarding the federal requirements. It did not make sense to begin working on the Act 31 plan until these issues were resolved. In addition, with Department staff involved in developing the resident-based data to meet the federal requirements, and nursing home industry personnel involved in other OBRA and nursing home reimbursement issues, it was difficult to get a timely start on the Act 31 plan.

The Department has appointed an advisory committee to help develop the plan. The committee has met twice to develop a draft plan and a final meeting has been scheduled for January 29th. The committee's recommendations will be subsequently reviewed by the Department and a final plan completed. I expect to submit the plan to the Legislature by the end of February.

If you have any questions concerning the plan, please contact John Chapin at 266-9780.

Sincerely,
GERALD WHITBURN
Secretary

February 6, 1991

Thomas Melvin, Chief Clerk
Wisconsin State Assembly
Rm. 402, One East Main St.
P.O. Box 8952
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Mr. Melvin:

Enclosed are two reports recently released by our Institute (Report on Learnfare Evaluation, and Interim Report to the Wisconsin Legislature on the WEJT/CWEP Evaluation). There are copies of these reports at the Legislative Reference Bureau. Legislators should contact our office to obtain their own copies of the reports.

Sincerely,
JOHN PAWASARAT, Director
Employment & Training Institute
University Outreach

Representative Swoboda moved that the assembly stand adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 28.

The question was: Shall the assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The assembly stood adjourned.

10:01 A.M.