

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
**Assembly Journal**

Ninetieth Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, June 20, 1991

The assembly met.

Speaker Kunicki in the chair.

The assembly dispensed with the call of the roll.

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 49** offered by committee Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE  
OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

**Assembly Bill 479**

Relating to establishing a lifetime care trust for disabled individuals, establishing a lifetime charity care trust to fund grants for services to disabled individuals, creating a lifetime care trust board, granting rule-making authority and making appropriations.

By Representatives Van Gorden, Bock, Rosenzweig, Fortis, Krusick, Ourada, Hasenohrl, Schneiders, Musser, Boyle, Ott, Hisrich, Lehman, Underheim, Lorge, Ladwig, Gard and Turner, cosponsored by Senators Barrett, Buettner, Rude, Breske, Kreul, Roshell, Potter and Burke.

To committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance.

**Assembly Bill 480**

Relating to crane and hoist regulation, creating a council, granting rule-making authority, providing penalties and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Clarenbach, Vanderperren, Carpenter, Hinkfuss, Van Dreel, Boyle and Robson, cosponsored by Senators Van Sistine and Feingold.

To committee on Labor.

**Assembly Bill 481**

Relating to employment of minors as athletic contest officials for nonprofit organizations.

By Representatives Gruszynski, Baumgart, Roberts, Lautenschlager, Porter, Stower, Musser, Plache, Lorge, Zweck, Vergeront, Fortis and Hinkfuss, cosponsored by Senators Helbach, Andrea, Van Sistine and Petak.

To committee on Labor.

**Assembly Bill 482**

Relating to classifying county jailers as protective occupation participants for the purposes of the Wisconsin retirement system.

By Representatives Medinger, Lautenschlager, Holperin, Vanderperren, Rohan, Gronemus, Baldus, Musser, Schwartz, Duff, Lorge, Zien, Roberts, Schultz, Boyle and Silbaugh, cosponsored by Senators Andrea, Potter, Roshell, Breske, Burke, Decker and Van Sistine.

To Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems.

**Assembly Bill 483**

Relating to allocation of low-income energy assistance funds and making appropriations.

By Representative Hinkfuss, cosponsored by Senator Barrett.

To committee on Energy and Commerce.

COMMUNICATIONS

The chief clerk reports the following proposals correctly enrolled:

**Assembly Bill 32**

**Assembly Bill 228**

**Assembly Bill 286**

**Assembly Joint Resolution 66**

**Assembly Joint Resolution 69**

**Assembly Joint Resolution 71**

**Assembly Joint Resolution 72**

Sincerely,

THOMAS T. MELVIN

Assembly Chief Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin  
Office of the Governor  
Madison

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following bill, originating in the assembly, has been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State:

Assembly Bill	Act No.	Date Signed
358	25	June 18, 1991

Respectfully submitted,  
TOMMY G. THOMPSON  
Governor

COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin  
Legislative Audit Bureau  
Madison

June 18, 1991

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

At the request of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee, we have completed a review of the Upper Mississippi River Environmental Management Program administered by the Department of Natural Resources. Based on the nature and scope of our findings, we are submitting a memorandum in lieu of a formal audit report.

States receive federal funding to rehabilitate and enhance fish and wildlife habitat and to make other improvements along the Mississippi River. The Department's River Unit manages the Environmental Management Program and performs several other state-funded activities related to monitoring the use and health of the Mississippi River.

Contrary to assertions, we found no evidence to indicate that Wisconsin has been, or is likely to be, less successful than other states in attaining federal funds to support the program. However, we found that other concerns about administration of the River Unit, which have been expressed by several members of the public and current and former staff, have some validity.

The Unit has not always been successful in promoting public participation, has an outdated long-range plan, and has suffered from high staff turnover caused, in part, by dissatisfaction with management of the Unit.

Confusion also exists over the purpose and priorities of state funds provided largely to match federal funds.

The Department recently has initiated efforts to improve communication with the public and to develop a long-range plan. However, we believe legislative involvement may be necessary to clarify uses of state funds and to ensure that funds are used effectively. Department management also will need to continue to work with staff to improve unit operations.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation provided to us by department staff and the several members of the public with whom we spoke.

Respectfully Submitted,  
DALE CATTANACH  
State Auditor

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REFERENCE BUREAU CORRECTIONS  
**Assembly Bill 81**

Page 5, line 7: substitute "144.853" for "144.583".

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Representative Travis moved that the assembly stand adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Friday, June 21.

The question was: Shall the assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The assembly stood adjourned.

10:01 A.M.