

Ninetieth Regular Session

WEDNESDAY, September 30, 1992

The chief clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

Sincerely,
Alan T. Tracy
Secretary

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources
September 14, 1992

State of Wisconsin
Department of Health and Social Services
October 1, 1992

To the Honorable the Legislature:

Enclosed is the department's report on its activities under s. 1.11, Wis. Stats. This report is being submitted in conformance with s. 1.11(2)(j), Wis. Stats., as created by 1991 Wisconsin Act 273.

Sincerely,
C. D. Besadny
Secretary

State of Wisconsin
Department of Transportation
September 14, 1992

To the Honorable the Legislature:

The attached report is submitted in accordance with section 49.45(2)(a) 21 of the statutes, which directs the Department of Health and Social Services to report annually on Wisconsin Medical Assistance (MA) recipients' access to obstetric and pediatric services. The report outlines the variety of Federal and State mandates and initiatives that have been established to encourage increased provision of these important services by physicians and other mid-level health professionals, and increased use of care by pregnant women and children who receive Medical Assistance.

To the Honorable the Legislature:

The enclosed Report has been sent to you pursuant to 1991 Wisconsin Act 273 which created s. 1.11(2)(j) Wis. Stats. This legislation states that:

"Annually, no later than September 15, submit a report to the chief of each house of the legislature for distribution under s. 13.172(2) Wis. Stats., including the number of proposed action for which an impact statement was required under par. (c) and the number of impact statements prepared under par. (c)."

This report addresses the activities of the Department of Transportation for Fiscal Year 1992, the period July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992.

Sincerely,
Charles H. Thompson
Secretary

State of Wisconsin
Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer
Protection
September 14, 1992

Sincerely,
Gerald Whitburn
Secretary

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Audit Bureau
September 17, 1992

To the Honorable the Legislature:

1991 Wisconsin Act 273 created section 1.11(2)(j), Wis. Stats., which requires the submittal of annual report to the chief clerk of each house of the Legislature by September 15 regarding the preparation of environmental assessments and environmental impact statements. I am submitting the attached report prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection entitled "Annual Report on Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements" to comply with this requirement.

Please contact Darrell Bazzell of my staff at 266-7131 if there are any questions regarding the report.

To the Honorable the Legislature:

We have completed a financial audit and program evaluation of the Wisconsin Racing Board's regulation of racing, as required by s. 13.94, Wis. Stats. The Racing Board, which was created in 1988 to oversee pari-mutuel racing, will be replaced by the Gaming Commission on October 1, 1992.

The Racing Board's financial transactions are properly and accurately recorded in the State's financial records. While the Board has been generally successful in establishing numerous policies and procedures necessary for regulation of the new racing industry, a few of its policies or practices have been inconsistent with the statutes. In other cases, the Board has not consistently

followed its own policies. The Gaming Commission will need to eliminate these inconsistencies by seeking statutory changes, modifying administrative rules, or making procedural changes.

The Racing Board has provided adequate guidance to its staff at each track, with the exception of the presiding Board stewards, the staff persons in charge. Stewards need additional guidance in conducting each stage of the races and conducting disciplinary hearings in order to ensure fairness.

In addition to regulating racing, the Board is responsible for balancing the competing interests of preventing illegal business activity, maximizing state revenues, and ensuring stable track operations, which will be increasingly important when, as now, tracks experience declines in attendance and revenues. The Board has not, however, developed economic policies to be applied in its decisions regarding the oversight of track owners and managers, the approval of goods and services contracts, or the awarding of race dates. The Gaming Commission will need to clarify these policies.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by the Racing Board's staff and track association personnel. A response from the Executive Director of the Racing Board is Appendix II.

Sincerely,
Dale Cattanach
State Auditor

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

September 17, 1992

To the Honorable, the Senate:

Pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 234.165(2)(b)(3), I am submitting to the presiding officer of each House the 1992-93 WHEDA Surplus Plan, "Dividends for Wisconsin."

I have made two amendments to the Plan, as follows:

On Page 12 insert the following paragraph after paragraph one:

"WHEDA has pledged to use its resources through the Plan to assure that Wisconsin its entitlement communities will be able to match monies available through the new federal Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. WHEDA will meet this pledge in "Dividends for Wisconsin - 1992-93" by providing a grant to the Department of Administration's Division of Housing in an amount determined by the Department of Administration as sufficient to allow the state to maximize its utilization of the HOME Program."

On Page 13, under the subheading "Single Family Mortgage Revenue Bond Support," insert the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph:

"Any such program will be developed in cooperation with Wisconsin lending industry groups, and shall only be developed if there is a demonstrated need in the conventional lending market for such a product."

Sincerely,
TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

Read and referred to the committee on Housing, Government Operations and Cultural Affairs.

SENATE CLEARINGHOUSE ORDERS

State of Wisconsin
Revisor of Statutes Bureau

October 1, 1992

To the Honorable the Legislature:

The following rules have been published and are effective:

Clearinghouse Rule 90-242 effective December 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 91- 69 part eff. October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 91-184 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 91-188 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 91-189 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 91-194 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 20 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 22 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 28 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 33 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 38 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 39 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 44 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 45 effective October 1, 1992.

Clearinghouse Rule 92- 52 effective October 1, 1992.

Sincerely,
GARY L. POULSON
Deputy Revisor

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-37

Relating to defining abrogation of copayment provisions of insurance contracts to be prohibited conduct.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Report received from agency, September 25, 1992.

Referred to committee on Agriculture, Corrections, Health and Human Services, September 30, 1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-61

Relating to regulation of organic compound emissions.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from agency, September 23, 1992.

Referred to committee on Urban Affairs, Environmental Resources and Elections, September 30, 1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-73

Relating to the recreational boating facilities program.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.
Report received from agency, September 23, 1992.

Referred to committee on Urban Affairs,
Environmental Resources and Elections, September 30,
1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-74

Relating to lake sturgeon.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from agency, September 23, 1992.

Referred to committee on Urban Affairs,
Environmental Resources and Elections, September 30,
1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-97

Relating to the renewal of TPA certificates, and the
initial grant and renewal of certificates of registration.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and
Licensing.

Report received from agency, September 25, 1992.

Referred to committee on Agriculture, Corrections,
Health and Human Services, September 30, 1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-99

Relating to requirements for credential renewal for
chiropractors.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and
Licensing.

Report received from agency, September 25, 1992.

Referred to committee on Agriculture, Corrections,
Health and Human Services, September 30, 1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-103

Relating to pari-mutuel racing and wagering in
Wisconsin.

Submitted by Racing Board.

Report received from agency, September 25, 1992.

Referred to committee on Tourism, Commerce,
Labor, Veterans' and Military Affairs, September 30,
1992.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-132

Relating to specifying the transitional treatment
services for nervous or mental diseases or alcoholism or

other drug abuse problems that health insurance must
cover.

Submitted by Office of the Commissioner of
Insurance.

Report received from agency, September 25, 1992.

Referred to committee on Tourism, Commerce,
Labor, Veterans' and Military Affairs, September 30,
1992.

The committee on Tourism, Commerce, Labor,
Veterans' and Military Affairs reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-53

Relating to boilers and pressure vessels.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-83

Relating to the flammable and combustible liquids
code.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-106

Relating to the petroleum inspection fee.

No action taken.

Jerome Van Sistine
Chair

The committee on Agriculture, Corrections, Health
and Human Services reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-58

Relating to emergency assistance for low-income
families and eligibility for the aid to families with
dependent children program.

Objection:

Ayes, 7 -- Senators Moen, Decker, Feingold,
Jauch, Barrett, Breske and Schultz;

Noes, 2 -- Senators Berndt and Lorman.

Rodney C. Moen
Chair

Read and referred to joint committee for Review of
Administrative Rules.