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The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**State of Wisconsin**

July 24, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to [1995 Wisconsin Act 303](#), as President of the State Senate, I am appointing Senator Gwen Moore as a member of the Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council.

Sincerely,

FRED A. RISSER  
Senate President

**State of Wisconsin  
Department of Corrections**

June 28, 1996

The Honorable, The Legislature:

This is the annual report on Prison Industries for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1995, as required by Wisconsin Statutes 303.018. This report includes the cash balance of each industry and the total amounts expended by state agencies for wood furniture and printing. It also shows what portion of the total wood furniture and printing state agencies purchased from Prison Industries and includes year-end cash balances.

The cash deficit decreased by \$1,248,900 (from -\$2,927,700 to -\$1,678,800) in fiscal year 1995. Total assets of plant, equipment and inventories of \$8,333,900 exceed the cash deficit by \$6,655,100.

See Appendix A for a summary of the cash balance for each industry and the overall financial condition of Prison Industries.

The net income on the accrual accounting basis was \$566,400 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995.

State agencies spent \$2,046,200 on wood furniture in FY95. Of that amount, \$666,800 or 32.6% was purchased from Prison Industries. During the same period, state agencies purchased \$38,259,900 in printing from all sources. Of that amount, \$850,300 or 2.2% was purchased from Prison Industries. State printing bulletins now require that all forms for which Prison Industries has negotiated a contract be purchased from Prison Industries. Appendix B provides comparisons with FY94.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN, SECRETARY  
Department of Corrections

JAMES R. KLAUSER, SECRETARY  
Department of Administration

**State of Wisconsin  
Department of Administration**

July 8, 1996

The Honorable, The Legislature:

This report is transmitted as required by sec. 20.002(11)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under sec. 13.172 (3) Stats.), and confirms the Department of Administration has found it necessary to exercise the “temporary reallocation of balances” authority provided by this section in order to meet payment responsibilities and cover resulting negative balances during the month of June, 1996.

On June 1, 1996 the **Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund** balance was -\$1 thousand. This shortfall grew to -\$2 thousand on June 6 and continued through the end of the month. This shortfall was due to the timing of revenues.

On June 6, 1996 the **Wisconsin Health Insurance Risk Sharing Fund** balance was -\$1 thousand. This shortfall grew to -\$6 thousand on June 21 and continued through the end of the month. This shortfall was due to the timing of revenues.

The Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund and Health Insurance Risk Sharing Fund shortfalls were not in excess of the \$400 million ceiling and did not exceed the balances of the Funds available for interfund borrowing.

The distribution of interest earnings to investment pool participants is based on the average daily balance in the pool and each fund’s share. Therefore, the monthly calculation by the State Controller’s Office will automatically reflect the use of these temporary reallocations of balance authority.

Sincerely,

JAMES R. KLAUSER  
Secretary

Referred to joint committee on **Finance**.

**State of Wisconsin  
Wisconsin Acid Deposition Research Council**

July 19, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

Enclosed is a copy of the Wisconsin Acid Deposition Research Council’s Fifth Biennial Report titled, *A Status Report of Acid Rain Research in Wisconsin*. This report summarizes the results of the Council’s highly successful ten year effort and announces a new public/private partnership to continue environmental monitoring in Wisconsin.

We can all feel proud of the fact that since 1986 Wisconsin has led and continues to lead the nation in acid deposition policy, research and monitoring activities. For example, in 1994, sulfur dioxide emissions from Wisconsin’s major electric utilities totaled 192,093 tons, which is a 62 percent reduction from 1980 levels. This is 23 percent below the goal of 250,000 tons established in s. [144.388 \(2\) \(b\)](#), Wis. Stats. As a result, the

acidity of rainfall and snow statewide fell an average of 50 percent during this period which has improved the quality of life for all Wisconsin residents.

As required by s. 16.02 (2), Wis. Stats., this report has been submitted to Governor Thompson; Secretary of the Department of Administration; Natural Resources Board Chair; and, to the Chief Clerks of the Legislature's Senate and Assembly.

Should you have any questions, or wish to discuss this report, please contact Jolene Anderson at (608) 266-7375.

Sincerely,

NATHANNIEL E. ROBINSON  
Chair

**State of Wisconsin  
Legislative Audit Bureau**

July 23, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

The Audit Bureau is required by statute to contract for the performance of an actuarial audit of the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) at least once every five years. We contracted with the actuarial firm, The Segal Company, for the most recent actuarial audit. The audit has been completed and includes the actuary's audit report, much of what is quite technical, and a response from the Department of Employee Trust Funds and its consulting actuary.

In its report, The Segal Company concluded that most actuarial functions of the WRS are adequately performed and that the WRS actuarial assumptions are reasonable and consistent with experience. In contrast, the Segal Company raised more notable concerns with the actuarial analysis for the Duty Disability program. We are considering the Segal Company's concerns as part of a comprehensive evaluation of the program to be released next month. The Segal Company also offered observations and suggestions in other selected areas.

Copies of the actuarial report have been distributed to members of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee, the Retirement Research Committee, the Department of Employee Trust Funds and its boards, and to others required by law to receive copies. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the report, please contact our office and request a copy of the actuarial audit report of the Wisconsin Retirement System.

Sincerely,

DALE CATTANACH  
State Auditor

**State of Wisconsin  
Department of Health and Family Services**

July 22, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

As required by s. 252.04(11), Wis. Stats., enclosed is the Annual Statewide Immunization Program Report. Please distribute this report to the appropriate standing committees.

Sincerely,

JOE LEEAN  
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Health, Human Services, Aging and Corrections**.

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**REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF  
COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING  
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 95-061**

Relating to research protocol for research projects.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Withdrawn by Agency, July 22, 1996.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-034**

Relating to social worker training certificates.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Report received from Agency, July 22, 1996.

Referred to committee on **Health, Human Services, Aging and Corrections**, July 24, 1996.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-018**

Relating to the closure of hazardous substance spill cases where the department has determined that naturally occurring physical, chemical or biological processes will restore groundwater quality within a reasonable period of time.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from Agency, July 24, 1996.

Referred to committee on **Environmental Resources and Urban Affairs**, July 24, 1996.

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The committee on **Economic Development, Housing, Government Operations and Cultural Affairs** reports and recommends:

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 95-233**

Relating to the information technology investment fund.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-056**

Relating to the apportionment of net business incomes of interstate motor carriers.

No action taken.

Gwendolynne Moore  
Chairperson

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

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 94-203**

Relating to mental health day treatment services for children and adolescents.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 94-204**

Relating to treatment foster care for children.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 95-226**

Relating to licensing of emergency medical technicians-intermediate (EMTs-intermediate) and approval of operational plans for EMTs-intermediate.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-003**

Relating to licensing of emergency medical technicians-paramedic (EMTs-paramedic) and approval of operational plans for EMTs-paramedic.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-027**

Relating to unprofessional conduct.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-050**

Relating to the delegation of the polishing portion of an oral prophylaxis by a dentist to an unlicensed person.

No action taken.

Rodney Moen  
Chairperson