

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**State of Wisconsin
Legislative Council**

August 12, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

Enclosed is a copy of the General Report of the Joint Legislative Council to the 1995 Legislature, prepared and submitted pursuant to s.13.81 (3), Stats. This General Report also incorporates additional information relating to legislative actions on Council proposals that was previously presented to the Legislature in the form of the separate Legislative Council Digest. The Digest has been discontinued. I would appreciate your noting in the Senate Journal, pursuant to s. 13.172, Stats., that this report has been delivered to your office.

Sincerely,

DAVID J. STUTE
Director

**State of Wisconsin
Department of Workforce Development**

August 13, 1996

The Honorable, The Legislature:

RE: Report on Alleged Worker's Compensation Fraud, Section 102.125. Wis. Stats.

The purpose of this letter is to report to the Governor and Legislature regarding allegations of worker's compensation fraud reported to the Department of Workforce Development. This is the second annual report.

1993 Wisconsin Act 81 created s.102.125, Wis. Stats., effective January 1, 1994. It requires the Department to record allegations of worker's compensation fraud, and if there is a reasonable basis to believe that a violation of s. 943.395, Stats., [insurance fraud] has occurred, to refer the case for prosecution by the district attorney of the county in which the violation occurred. It also requires the Department to report annually to the Governor and Legislature regarding the number of allegations and referrals, and the results of the referrals. Attachment 1 is a copy of ss.102.125 and 943.395, Stats.

This report shows that the program has achieved remarkable success in fairly and efficiently enforcing the law. These admirable achievements are founded on close partnerships with insurance carriers, prosecutors, and the employer community.

Sincerely,

RICHARD WEGNER
Acting Secretary

**State of Wisconsin
Ethics Board**

August 20, 1996

To the Honorable the Senate:

At the direction of s. 13.685(7), Wisconsin Statutes, I am notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers.

Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:

The following organizations previously registered with the Ethics Board as employers of lobbyists have authorized to act on their behalf these additional licensed lobbyists:

Advertising Publishers Assn, Wisconsin
Swandby, Janet

Coenen, Thomas

Termination of lobbying authorizations:

The following individuals are no longer authorized to lobby on behalf of the organizations listed below, as of the dates indicated.

Advertising Publishers Assn, Wisconsin
Hanson, Thomas 8/12/96

UW Student Governments, Inc, United Council of
Chheda, Sachin 7/30/96

Organization's cessation of lobbying activity:

The following organization previously registered with the Ethics Board as an employer of lobbyists has indicated a cessation of all lobbying activity effective on the date shown.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith Inc – Wisconsin Office 7/31/96

Bablitch, Stephen 7/31/96

Klauser, David 7/31/96

Jentz, Robert 7/31/96

Also available from the Wisconsin Ethics Board are reports identifying the amount and value of time state agencies have spent to affect legislative action and reports of expenditures for lobbying activities filed by the organizations that employ lobbyists.

Sincerely,

R. ROTH JUDD
Executive Director

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

August 20, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint CHRISTENSON, J. DAVID, of Wausau, as a member of the Credit Union Review Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2001.

Sincerely,

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Agriculture, Transportation, Utilities and Financial Institutions.**

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

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-089

Relating to the inspection of fire systems.

Submitted by Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations.

Report received from Agency, August 23, 1996.

Referred to committee on **Labor**, August 28, 1996.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-117

Relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways.

Submitted by Department of Transportation.

Report received from Agency, August 23, 1996.

Referred to committee on **Agriculture, Transportation, Utilities and Financial Institutions**, August 28, 1996.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-080

Relating to ventilation and energy conservation.

Submitted by Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations.

Report received from Agency, August 16, 1996.

Referred to committee on **Labor**, August 28, 1996.