

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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin

November 21, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

I regret to inform you that I am submitting my resignation as a member of the Board on Hunger.

Due to my current level of responsibility, I am unable to give this board the attention it deserves. I appreciate the opportunity to serve on this important and meaningful board and wish the board well in its future endeavors.

Sincerely,

SENATOR ALBERTA DARLING
8th Senate District

State of Wisconsin
Department of Corrections

November 13, 1996

The Honorable, The Legislature:

Attached is the first quarter report on Prison Industries for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, as required by Section 303.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes. This report includes the year-to-date cash balance of each industry.

Prison Industries had a cash deficit of \$2,071,958 through the second quarter ending September 30, 1996. During each fiscal year Prison Industries purchases substantial inventory during the first quarter. The actual cash expenditure for the time period was \$3,793,422.

Revenues for the same time period were \$3,166,483. Prison Industries has adequate fixed assets, inventories and receivables to cover the overdraft.

The projected profit on the accrual basis for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 is \$125,000.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN
Secretary of the Department of Corrections

JAMES R. KLAUSER
Secretary of the Department of Administration

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

November 18, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint HISE, ROD, of Madison, as a member of the Wisconsin Advanced Telecommunications Foundation, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2000.

Sincerely,

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

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

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

November 18, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint CHIN, ED, of Madison, as a member of the Wisconsin Advanced Telecommunications Foundation, to serve for the interim term ending May 1, 1998.

Sincerely,

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

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

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #300

Relating to the Creation of the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Campaign Finance Reform

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's original campaign finance law was enacted in 1911 and comprehensively revised in 1974 to address campaign finance and related election practices in use at that time; and

WHEREAS, campaign finance and related election practices have evolved to the point where a fundamental reexamination of the laws governing these practices is both timely and necessary; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin must always strive to ensure that the State's legitimate interest in regulating campaign finance and related election practices is precisely balanced against the rights guaranteed to the people of this great state by both the Constitution of the United States and the Wisconsin Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the laws of this State governing campaign finance and related election practices are rooted in a nationally recognized tradition of effective government based on a strong citizen voice in political decision making;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in

me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Create the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Campaign Finance Reform (hereinafter "the Commission") to evaluate and study the laws of this state governing campaign finance and related election practices and recommend such changes to these laws that the Commission deems prudent;
2. Provide that the Commission shall be composed of five (5) members to serve at the pleasure of the Governor: two (2) Republicans, two (2) Democrats and one (1) person not affiliated with a political party;
3. Provide that the Governor shall designate one (1) member of the Commission as its chair to serve in that capacity at the pleasure of the Governor;
4. Instruct the Commission to solicit comments from the public on campaign finance reform;
5. Require the Commission to consult with experts in the field of campaign finance reform;
6. Direct the Commission to submit a report to the Governor on its findings and recommendations by May 1, 1997;
7. Provide that the Commission shall disband once the Governor has accepted its report;
8. Provide that the Commission shall receive, at no cost, staff assistance from the Robert M. La Follette Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Madison;
9. Direct the Secretary of the Department of Administration, pursuant to Section 20.505(3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, to provide the sums of money that are necessary and proper to pay the expenses, if any, of the Commission.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this nineteenth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

**THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

EXECUTIVE ORDER #301

Relating to the Creation of the Wisconsin International Trade Council

WHEREAS, international trade is important to the health of Wisconsin's economy, and has accounted for much of its recent net economic growth; and

WHEREAS, 200,000 manufacturing jobs in Wisconsin are the direct result of the exports from 2,500 Wisconsin manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, being actively engaged in international trade makes businesses and therefore the State as a whole more competitive; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin businesses must become stronger global competitors and can no longer rely solely on the domestic market for growth; and

WHEREAS, existing public and private export assistance services need to be accessible and easy to use; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin must develop a comprehensive international trade development strategy and an organizational system in order to make this great state "The Trade State";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, DO HEREBY:

1. Create the Wisconsin International Trade Council (the "Council"), and charge the Council with the following responsibilities related to leadership in international trade development:

a. Advising the Governor, the Secretary of the Department of Commerce and the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, on issues concerning the state's role in the development of international trade, including, but not limited to, the following:

i) the impact of national trade policies on Wisconsin businesses, and measures available to the state to influence such policies;

ii) the state finance, taxation and regulatory policies which could increase incentives or reduce disincentives to international trade;

iii) international trade services now provided and international trade services that need to be developed.

b. Developing procedures to integrate existing public and private export assistance services into an accessible and easy to use system that provides Wisconsin businesses the technical, financial, and educational services they need to succeed in international markets.

2. Require the Council to develop an annual International Trade Development Plan that includes, but is not limited to, the following:

a. specific, measurable benchmarks and performance evaluation criteria for trade development services;

b. target markets for trade development through trade shows, trade missions and trade representative offices;

c. public and private cooperative trade development services and programs;

3. Provide that the Council shall encourage the mobilization of Wisconsin's public and private educational infrastructure, from kindergarten through post-graduate studies, to support the internationalization of Wisconsin businesses.

4. Require the Council to develop grant programs to support the development and expansion of foreign trade by Wisconsin businesses.

5. Require the Council to hold an annual meeting, chaired by the Governor or his designee, to present the International Trade Development Plan and evaluate the "state of the state" with the respect to international trade.

6. Provide that the Council shall consist of not more than thirty (30) voting members appointed by the Governor to serve at the pleasure of the Governor and that the Governor shall select a chair from the voting membership who shall serve in this capacity at the pleasure of the Governor.

7. Provide that the chair may designate individuals with specialized knowledge in the field of international trade as non-voting associate members of the Council to serve in that capacity at the pleasure of the chair.

8. Instruct the Secretary of the Department of Administration to provide the Council with such sums of money as are necessary for travel and operating expenses as provided under Section 20.505(3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this nineteenth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

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

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

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-123

Relating to transcripts of undergraduate training, passing scores on examinations and abandonment of applications.

No action taken.

Gwendolynne Moore
Chairperson

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

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-090

Relating to provision of school-based health care services reimbursed by the medical assistance program.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-093

Relating to permit fees for the operation of public swimming pools, recreational and educational camps, campgrounds, hotels, motels and tourist rooming houses, restaurants, bed and breakfast establishments, and food and beverage vending operations.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-119

Relating to operation of public swimming pools.

No action taken.

Rodney Moen
Chairperson