



STATE OF WISCONSIN  
**Senate Journal**  
 Ninety–Third Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, August 19, 1998

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**State of Wisconsin  
 Ethics Board**

August 11, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate/Legislature:

At the direction of s. 13.685(7), *Wisconsin Statutes*, I am furnishing you with the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board that employ one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules, and notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers. For each recently registered organization I have included the organization's description of the general area of legislative or administrative action that it attempts to influence and the name of each licensed lobbyist that the organization has authorized to act on its behalf.

**Organizations recently registered:**

Below are the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board as employing one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules.

**U.S. Care Inc**

Subject(s): State legislation and administrative rules relating to long term care services, insurance and program management.

**Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:**

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

**Towns Assn, Wisconsin**

Woods, Kent

**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.

**Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin**

Martin, Aurene 8/10/98

**USA Waste Services of WI Inc**

Essie, Patrick 8/10/98

Moore, Thomas E 8/10/98

Zeppos, Evan 8/10/98

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,  
 ROTH JUDD  
 Director

**State of Wisconsin  
 Ethics Board**

August 18, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate/Legislature:

At the direction of s. 13.685(7), *Wisconsin Statutes*, I am furnishing you with the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board that employ one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules, and notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers. For each recently registered organization I have included the organization's description of the general area of legislative or administrative action that it attempts to influence and the name of each licensed lobbyist that the organization has authorized to act on its behalf.

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**Commonwealth Edison/Unicom**

Subject(s): State legislation and administrative rules relating to utility companies (gas, water and electric – regulated by any state agency or entity), non-regulated companies, energy issues, competition in the electric industry, regulatory re-structuring, marketing, environment, transportation, taxation and business practices.

Bloom, JoAnne

Bright, Michael

**Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:**

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

**School Boards Inc, Wisconsin Assn of**

O'Connor, Annette

**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.

**Cooperatives, Wisconsin Federation of**

Steinhaus, Jon 8/14/98

**E & J Gallo Winery**

Hanson, Thomas 8/17/98

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Sincerely,  
 ROTH JUDD  
 Director

**State of Wisconsin**

**Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District**

August 17, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

Enclosed please find your copy of the July 1998 Miller Park Monthly Progress Report. If you have any questions or comments on this month's report, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and input on the Miller Park project.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL R. DUCKETT, P.E., R.L.S.  
Executive Director

**State of Wisconsin**

**The University of Wisconsin System**

August 10, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

The University of Wisconsin System is pleased to provide you with a copy of our annual Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA) report. In fulfillment of Section 1.11(2)(j) Wisconsin Statutes, this document provides information on the numbers of environmental assessment (EA's) and environmental impact statements (EIS's) completed in the past fiscal year.

This report addresses the activities of the University of Wisconsin System for the period July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998.

Questions regarding this report should be directed to Gary Brown, UW System Environmental Affairs Officer. Gary may be reached at 263-4417.

Sincerely,

KATHARINE C. LYALL  
President

**State of Wisconsin  
Legislative Audit Bureau**

August 12, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

We have completed a review of administrative salaries and staffing within the Wisconsin Technical College System, as directed by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. In fiscal year (FY) 1996-97, the 16 districts, which are governed by local boards, spent \$63.4 million on salaries and fringe benefits for 787.4 administrative positions.

Salaries paid to senior-level Wisconsin technical college administrators – the president and the chief academic, business, and student affairs officers in each district – vary substantially throughout the Wisconsin technical college system. However, they were lower, on average, than salaries paid for similar positions at 56 midwestern two-year public colleges.

In addition to reviewing salaries for four senior-level positions, we reviewed total administrative salaries and staffing levels in

FY 1996-97, as well as changes over a five-year period. From FY 1991-92 through FY 1996-97, when salaries at public colleges and universities nationwide increased 17.1 percent, the average hourly rate of administrative salaries within the Wisconsin technical college system increased 22.3 percent, although there were substantial variations in rates among the technical college districts. Three districts had increases exceeding 30 percent.

During this period, the number of administrative staff increased 4.5 percent overall, although changes in individual districts ranged from an increase of 56.2 percent to a decrease of 28.2 percent. While the number of administrative staff increased overall, the number of full-time equivalent students decreased 10.5 percent, and the number of faculty declined by 2.1 percent.

Because of the substantial differences in administrative salaries and staffing levels among the districts, the Wisconsin Technical College System Board could help local district boards analyze their decisions relative to those of other districts by providing salary and staffing information for each district on an ongoing basis.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by the staff of the technical college districts who assisted us during the course of this review, as well as by the Wisconsin Technical College System Board. The Board's response is Appendix II.

Sincerely,

JANICE MUELLER  
State Auditor

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

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-074**

Relating to the community-based economic development program.

Submitted by Department of Commerce.

Report received from Agency, August 18, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, August 19, 1998.

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The committee on **Environment and Energy** reports and recommends:

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-044**

Relating to implementation of the automated license issuance system.

No action taken.

Robert Cowles  
Chairperson