



STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

Ninety-Eighth Regular Session

MONDAY, July 16, 2007

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

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Bill 456

Relating to: the method by which the Department of Revenue makes certain calculations regarding a tax incremental district in the village of Union Grove.

By Representative Vos; cosponsored by Senator Lehman.
To committee on **Urban and Local Affairs**.

Assembly Bill 457

Relating to: the method by which the Department of Revenue makes certain calculations regarding tax incremental financing district number 4 in the village of Union Grove.

By Representative Vos; cosponsored by Senator Lehman.
To committee on **Urban and Local Affairs**.

COMMUNICATIONS

July 16, 2007

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

I was absent for the Assembly session held on July 10, 2007. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows on the following roll call votes:

Assembly Resolution 8—relating to the appointment of Thomas Cane to the government accountability board: I would have voted AYE

Assembly Resolution 9—relating to the appointment of David G. Deininger to the government accountability board: I would have voted AYE

Assembly Resolution 10—relating to the appointment of Gerald C. Nichol to the government accountability board: I would have voted AYE

Senate Bill 40—relating to the executive budget act of 2007: I would have voted NO

Sincerely,
STEVE HILGENBERG
State Representative
51st Assembly District

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

June 29, 2007

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report is transmitted as required by s. 20.002(11)(f), Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172(3), Wisconsin Statutes) and confirms that 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 cash balances during the month of May 2007.

On May 1, 2007, the Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund cash balance closed at a negative \$2,000. This negative balance continued through May 31, 2007, when the fund’s cash balance closed at a negative \$2,000. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

The Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund shortfall was not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitations 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, and as a result, the funds requiring the use of the authority will effectively bear the interest cost.

Sincerely,
MICHAEL L. MORGAN
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Ways and Means**.

State of Wisconsin
Southeast Wisconsin Professional
Baseball Park District
Milwaukee

July 2, 2007

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District, we are pleased to submit the District's Financial Statements-Independent Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2006 (approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors on June 12, 2007) for your review and use. A copy can also be found on the District's website, www.millerparkdistrict.com.

The above report indicates that the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District Board of Directors has consistently protected the taxpayers of the five-county District, and continues to do so. As you review the enclosed report, please note that for the eleventh consecutive year, the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District has received a "clean opinion" from independent financial auditors, BDO Seidman, LLP. In this year's audit, dated April 26, 2007, BDO Seidman states, "In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District, as of December 31, 2006, and the changes in its financial position, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America."

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation. Please feel free to contact me if you should have any questions or should you desire more information.

Very truly yours,
MICHAEL R. DUCKETT, P.E., R.L.S.
Executive Director

State of Wisconsin
Department of Health and Family Services
Madison

July 9, 2007

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The Department of Health and Family Services is pleased to submit to you and the Legislature the report on Preparedness

of the Wisconsin Public Health System to Respond to Public Health Emergencies. This report was prepared by the Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health, as required by [2001 Wisconsin Act 109](#), s. [250.03\(3\)\(b\)](#).

Wisconsin's Public Health Preparedness Program continues to strengthen the foundation of preparedness through preparedness and response planning, workforce competency development and exercises with evaluation. State and local partners plan, train and exercise together to assure not only individual agency response capability, but also strong coordination for regional and statewide response. Highlights of the Public Health Preparedness Report include:

- Extensive pandemic influenza planning, purchasing of antiviral medication and exercising plans for disease containment.
- Establishing cross-border capacity through participation in the Great Lakes Border Health Initiative, consisting of MN, WI, MI, IN, OH, PA, NY and Ontario. This group has developed and tested guidelines for sharing communicable disease information across state and international borders.
- Implementing the Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System and associated electronic laboratory reporting for real time access to disease identification.
- Developing Chemical Emergency Assessment Teams to mobilize environmental health staff resources in the event of a major incident resulting from chemical agents, radiological agents or natural disasters.
- Testing, evaluating and improving emergency response to public health emergencies, terrorism and mass casualty events at the State, regional, local and tribal level.

These successes reflect sustained progress as well as exciting enhancements to Wisconsin's readiness to prevent, detect, investigate, control and recover from a public health event.

With warm regards,
KEVIN R. HAYDEN
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Public Health**.