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

COMMUNICATIONS

September 17, 2010

Speaker Mike Sheridan State Capitol, Room 211 West P.O. Box 8953 Madison, WI 53708

Dear Speaker Sheridan:

Having recently been appointed by Governor Jim Doyle to the Milwaukee County Circuit Court, I am resigning as State representative to the 8th Assembly District effective Friday, September 17, 2010.

It has been both an honor and a privilege to represent the 8th District in the Wisconsin State Assembly.

Sincerely, *PEDRO A. COLON*

State of Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau Madison

DATE: September 28, 2010

TO: Patrick E. Fuller Assembly Chief Clerk

Robert Marchant

Robert Marchant Senate Chief Clerk

FROM: Bruce Hoesly

Code Editor

SUBJECT: Rules published in the September 30, 2010, Wisconsin Administrative Register, No. 657.

The following rules have been published:

Clearinghouse Rule 07–111 effective 10–1–2010 Clearinghouse Rule 09–084 effective 10–1–2010 Clearinghouse Rule 10–012 effective 10–1–2010 Clearinghouse Rule 10–018 effective 10–1–2010 Clearinghouse Rule 10–021 effective 10–1–2010 effective 10–1–2010

Clearinghouse Rule 10–023	effective	10-1-2010
Clearinghouse Rule 10–027	effective	10-1-2010
Clearinghouse Rule 10–034	effective	10-1-2010
Clearinghouse Rule 10–040		10-1-2010
Clearinghouse Rule 10–043	effective	10-1-2010
Clearinghouse Rule 10–056	effective	10-1-2010
Clearinghouse Rule 10–062	effective	10-1-2010

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Department of Revenue Madison

September 17, 2010

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

I am submitting the quarterly report of the Wisconsin Lottery for the quarter ending June 30, 2010. As required by s. 565.37 (3), Wis. Stats., the attached materials contain unaudited Wisconsin Lottery year-to-date Revenue and Expenditure information.

The information reported here is a summary and is not intended to be a complete financial accounting of Wisconsin Lottery operations.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please feel free to contact me at (608) 266-6466.

Sincerely, *ROGER M. ERVIN*Secretary of Revenue

Referred to committee on State Affairs and Homeland Securities.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Department of Natural Resources
Madison

September 24, 2010

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Environmental Improvement Fund (EIF) program legislation (s. 281.59 (3)(bm)1, Wis. Stats.) requires the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Administration to submit to the Legislature and to the State Building

Commission the first version of the EIF Biennial Finance Plan. The purpose of the Plan is to provide information on loan, loan subsidy and bonding levels for program operations in the 2011-2013 biennium.

If you have any questions regarding the Biennial Finance Plan, please contact Mary Rose Teves at 267-7683 or Michael Wolff at 267-2734.

Sincerely,
MARY ROSE TEVES
Director, Bureau of Community Financial
Assistance
Department of Natural Resources

FRANK HOADLEY
Capitol Finance Director
Department of Administration

Referred to committee on Natural Resources.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Health Services
Madison

September 27, 2010

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

In accordance with sec. 1.11 (2)(j) Wis. Stats., the Department of Health Services reports that no Environmental Impact Statements or Environmental Assessments were conducted during the reporting period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

Sincerely, KAREN E. TIMBERLAKE Secretary

Referred to committee on Natural Resources.

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau Madison

September 28, 2010

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

As required under s. 13.94 (1)(dh), Wis. Stats., we have completed our annual financial audit of the Wisconsin Health Insurance Risk-Sharing Plan (HIRSP) Authority for 2009. The HIRSP Authority provides medical and prescription drug insurance for individuals who are unable to obtain coverage in the private market or who have lost employer-sponsored group health insurance. As of December 31, 2009, 16,381 policyholders were enrolled in one of the HIRSP Authority's plans. Enrollment has increased in 2010 as the HIRSP Authority reduces premiums and increases income limits for subsidies, and as individuals who have employer-sponsored group coverage exhaust their COBRA benefits.

We have provided an unqualified audit opinion on the HIRSP Authority's financial statements. However, our report includes a recommendation to address a concern with access to the pharmacy claims adjudication system by the pharmacy benefit manager's employees.

Since its inception on July 1, 2006, the HIRSP Authority has maintained a sound financial position. Its net asset balance was \$27.5 million on December 31, 2009, which was well in excess of the targeted balance of \$15.8 million established by the HIRSP Authority Board. Premiums and health insurer assessments were therefore reduced for 2010.

In July 2010, as part of the federal health care reform efforts, the federal government contracted with the HIRSP Authority to implement a temporary federal high-risk pool program to provide access to insurance for individuals who are uninsured because of pre-existing medical conditions. The HIRSP Federal Plan, with coverage effective August 1, 2010, is expected to operate until 2014.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by the HIRSP Authority, the plan administrator, and the pharmacy benefit manager. A response from the Chief Executive Officer of the HIRSP Authority follows our report.

> Respectfully submitted, JANICE MUELLER
> State Auditor