



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninety–Ninth Regular Session

11:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, April 23, 2009

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by President Risser.

CALL OF ROLL

The roll was called, disclosing the presence of a quorum.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 15, the official attendance for session was:

Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Ellis, Erpenbach, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Hansen, Harsdorf, Holperin, Hopper, Jauch, Kanavas, Kedzie, Kreitlow, A. Lasee, Lassa, Lazich, Lehman, Leibham, Miller, Olsen, Plale, Risser, Robson, Schultz, Sullivan, Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch – 32.

Absent – None.

Absent with leave – Senator Kapanke – 1.

The Senate stood for the prayer which was offered by Rev. Gwen Brandfass, Senior Chaplain for Oakwood Village Retirement Center in Madison.

“To the one who has breathed the breath of life into us all we turn in gratitude. We give you thanks for this United States of American and the freedoms allowed her citizens as a result of dedicated servants. With a grateful heart I ask your blessing up the state of Wisconsin and all the women and men gathered here today to do the work of the people. May they do there work in a spirit of kindness, gentleness and wisdom. As this body struggles with balancing budgets, revenue shortfalls, loss of jobs and rising expenses, may they not forget all those whom it would be easy to forget: the homeless, the destitute, the sick, the very young and the very old, and all who have none to advocate for them.

We pause and remember with appreciation the men and women who have chosen to serve this state in the National Guard and who as a result will soon be serving our country in Iraq. Bless them all and keep them safe. Send your peace to be with their loved ones left behind.

In your love and graciousness visit this state from north to south, from east to west, renewing the ties of mutual regard that form our civic life together. As we give thanks for the honest and able leaders in this chamber, may peace prevail with righteousness, and justice with order, that men and women from various view points with differing talents may find the courage to act with one accord for the good of your people. When times are prosperous, let our hearts be generous and thankful; and, in troubled times, let not our perseverance fail. Bless now this session with wisdom, its actions with insight, and the laws

passed here with fairness and integrity. To our loving and gracious God we pray. Amen.”

The Senate remained standing and Senator Hansen led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries dated **Wednesday, April 22, 2009.**

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

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

Senate Bill 126

Relating to: changes to and extension of the Environmental Results Program, extension of the Environmental Improvement Program and the length of a compliance schedule under that program, and reporting requirements for certain environmental programs.

Passage.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Miller, Jauch, Wirch, Kedzie and Olsen.
Noes, 0 – None.

MARK MILLER
Chairperson

The committee on **Health, Health Insurance, Privacy, Property Tax Relief, and Revenue** reports and recommends:

Senate Bill 35

Relating to: the distribution of the first dollar property tax credit.

Passage.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Erpenbach, Carpenter, Robson, Lassa, Lazich, Kanavas and Darling.

Noes, 0 – None.

Senate Bill 97

Relating to: authorizing temporary permits to practice dentistry or dental hygiene without compensation.

Passage.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Erpenbach, Carpenter, Robson, Lassa, Lazich, Kanavas and Darling.

Noes, 0 – None.

JON ERPENBACH
Chairperson

The committee on **Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs** reports and recommends:

Senate Bill 161

Relating to: administration of certain public assistance programs in Milwaukee County, removing county civil service

protections from certain employees, required provisions in certain collective bargaining agreements under the Municipal Employment Relations Act, and making an appropriation.

Passage.

Ayes, 3 – Senators Coggs, Wirch and Lehman.
Noes, 2 – Senators A. Lasee and Grothman.

SPENCER COGGS
Chairperson

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Senate Bill 171

Relating to: retail theft, proof of ownership for flea market sales, and providing penalties.

By Senators Taylor, Sullivan, Kreitlow, Holperin, Lassa, Wirch, Harsdorf and Darling; cosponsored by Representatives Danou, Turner, Jorgensen, Pasch, Kestell, Van Roy, Brooks, Lothian, Kerkman, A. Ott, Steinbrink, Zepnick, Kleefisch, Kaufert, Bies, Hebl and Staskunas.

To committee on **Judiciary, Corrections, Insurance, Campaign Finance Reform, and Housing.**

Senate Bill 172

Relating to: limiting a city's and village's use of direct annexation and authorizing limited town challenges to an annexation.

By Senators Holperin, A. Lasee and Schultz; cosponsored by Representatives Jorgensen, Clark, Danou, Hilgenberg, Bies, Brooks, Gunderson, Kerkman, LeMahieu, A. Ott, Petersen, Ripp, Roth, Townsend and Vos.

To committee on **Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs.**

Senate Bill 173

Relating to: the removal of nonconforming outdoor advertising signs.

By Senators Kreitlow, Taylor, Grothman, Kapanke, Leibham, Olsen, Plale and Hansen; cosponsored by Representatives Staskunas, Fields, Friske, Gunderson, Honadel, Smith, Soletski, Spanbauer, Van Roy, Vos and Zepnick.

To committee on **Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources.**

Senate Bill 174

Relating to: creating a microstamping requirement for certain handguns, certification of compliance with the microstamping requirement, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing penalties.

By Senators Coggs and Taylor; cosponsored by Representatives Young, A. Williams, Turner, Berceau, Grigsby, Colon, Richards, Kessler, Sinicki and Pasch.

To committee on **Judiciary, Corrections, Insurance, Campaign Finance Reform, and Housing.**

Senate Bill 175

Relating to: the issuance of licenses to teach mathematics or science.

By Senators Plale, Olsen, Darling and Hopper; cosponsored by Representatives Fields, Honadel, Grigsby, Davis, Vukmir, Kerkman, Ripp, Bies, Knodl, Brooks, Spanbauer, Gunderson, Townsend, Vos, Dexter and Ballweg.

To committee on **Education.**

Senate Bill 176

Relating to: a sales tax and use tax exemption for nonprescription drugs.

By Senators Plale, S. Fitzgerald, Taylor, Coggs, Olsen, Darling, Schultz, Hopper and A. Lasee; cosponsored by Representatives Jorgensen, Black, Richards, Benedict, Zepnick, Mason, Turner, Berceau, Huebsch, Vukmir, Gunderson, Spanbauer, Davis, Nass and Bies.

To joint survey committee on **Tax Exemptions.**

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Children and Families and Workforce Development** reports and recommends:

Senate Bill 141

Relating to: requiring certain vehicles that transport children to and from a child care provider to have child safety alarms installed, granting rule-making authority, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and providing a penalty.

Adoption of Senate Amendment 1.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Jauch, Lassa, Vinehout, Kedzie and Hopper.

Noes, 0 – None.

Adoption of Senate Amendment 2.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Jauch, Lassa, Vinehout, Kedzie and Hopper.

Noes, 0 – None.

Adoption of Senate Amendment 3.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Jauch, Lassa, Vinehout, Kedzie and Hopper.

Noes, 0 – None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Jauch, Lassa, Vinehout, Kedzie and Hopper.

Noes, 0 – None.

ROBERT JAUCH
Chairperson

The committee on **Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Technical Colleges, and Consumer Protection** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 2

Relating to: state procurement of contractual services.

Introduction of Senate Amendment 1.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Wirch, Plale, Holperin, Hopper and Lazich.

Noes, 0 – None.

Concurrence.

Ayes, 3 – Senators Wirch, Plale and Holperin.

Noes, 2 – Senators Hopper and Lazich.

ROBERT WIRCH
Chairperson

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Hansen added as a coauthor of **Senate Joint Resolution 24.**

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Darling added as a coauthor of **Senate Joint Resolution 28.**

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Carpenter added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 75**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Carpenter added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 76**.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Senator S. Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that Senator Kapanke be granted a leave of absence for today's session.

ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that the appointment of Reggie Bicha be taken up at this time.

BICHA, REGGIE, of Eau Claire, as Secretary of the Department of Children and Families, to serve for the term ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

Read.

The question was: Confirmation?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Ellis, Erpenbach, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Hansen, Harsdorf, Holperin, Hopper, Jauch, Kanavas, Kedzie, Kreitlow, A. Lasee, Lassa, Lazich, Lehman, Leibham, Miller, Olsen, Plale, Risser, Robson, Schultz, Sullivan, Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch – 32.

Noes – None.

Absent or not voting – Senator Kapanke – 1.

Confirmed.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that **Senate Joint Resolution 31** be withdrawn from the committee on **Senate Organization** and taken up at this time.

Senate Joint Resolution 31

Relating to: the life and public service of Marjorie Midge Cavins Leeper Miller.

Read.

Adopted by unanimous rising vote.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that all appointments, with the exception of Roger Axtell, Sheldon Wassermann, and Mike Weiden, be taken up en masse.

CANTER, RICHARD, of Milwaukee, as a member of the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2015.

DAVIS, STAN, of Sun Prairie, as a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2009.

ERICKSON, TERRANCE, of La Crosse, as a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2011.

FLAHERTY, KEVIN, of Milwaukee, as a member of the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority, to serve for the term ending on July 1, 2010.

GEENEN, JON, of Kaukauna, as a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2009.

JOHNSON, RUTH, of Madison, as a member of the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2011.

LE GRAND, ROGER, of La Crosse, as a member of the Tax Appeals Commission, to serve for the term ending March 1, 2015.

MUNRO, IAN, of Green Bay, as a member of the Medical Examining Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2011.

NEUENFELDT, PHILLIP, of Milwaukee, as a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2013.

SANCHEZ, PABLO, of Madison, as a member of the UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority and Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2012.

SCHNEIDER, KATHLEEN, of Minocqua, as a member of the Chiropractic Examining Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2012.

UNDERBAKKE, GAIL, of Madison, as a member of the Dietitians Affiliated Credentialing Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2011.

Read.

The question was: Confirmation?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Ellis, Erpenbach, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Hansen, Harsdorf, Holperin, Hopper, Jauch, Kanavas, Kedzie, Kreitlow, A. Lasee, Lassa, Lazich, Lehman, Leibham, Miller, Olsen, Plale, Risser, Robson, Schultz, Sullivan, Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch – 32.

Noes – None.

Absent or not voting – Senator Kapanke – 1.

Confirmed.

AXTELL, ROGER, of Janesville, as a member of the UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority and Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2010.

Read.

The question was: Confirmation?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 17; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Decker, Erpenbach, Hansen, Holperin, Jauch, Kreitlow, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Plale, Risser, Robson, Sullivan, Taylor and Wirch – 17.

Noes – Senators Cowles, Darling, Ellis, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Harsdorf, Hopper, Kanavas, Kedzie, A. Lasee, Lazich, Leibham, Olsen, Schultz and Vinehout – 15.

Absent or not voting – Senator Kapanke – 1.

Confirmed.

WASSERMAN, SHELDON, of Milwaukee, as a member of the Medical Examining Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2009.

Read.

The question was: Confirmation?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 21; noes, 11; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Darling, Decker, Ellis, Erpenbach, Hansen, Harsdorf, Holperin, Jauch, Kreitlow, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Olsen, Plale, Risser, Robson, Sullivan, Taylor and Wirch – 21.

Noes – Senators Cowles, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Hopper, Kanavas, Kedzie, A. Lasee, Lazich, Leibham, Schultz and Vinehout – 11.

Absent or not voting – Senator Kapanke – 1.

Confirmed.

WEIDEN, MIKE, of Madison, as a member of the UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2011.

Read.

The question was: Confirmation?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 17; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Decker, Erpenbach, Hansen, Holperin, Jauch, Kreitlow, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Plale, Risser, Robson, Sullivan, Taylor and Wirch – 17.

Noes – Senators Cowles, Darling, Ellis, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Harsdorf, Hopper, Kanavas, Kedzie, A. Lasee, Lazich, Leibham, Olsen, Schultz and Vinehout – 15.

Absent or not voting – Senator Kapanke – 1.

Confirmed.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

Senate Bill 12

Relating to: the operation of motorboats, other than personal watercraft, at slow–no–wake speed within a given distance of the shoreline of a lake.

The question was: Shall Assembly amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 12** be concurred in?

Concurred in.

Senate Bill 37

Relating to: payment of judgments in traffic courts and municipal courts by installments and the suspension of operating privileges.

The question was: Shall Assembly amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 37** be concurred in?

Concurred in.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS NOT REQUIRING A THIRD READING

Senate Joint Resolution 24

Relating to: proclaiming May as American Stroke Month.

The question was: Shall **Senate Joint Resolution 24** be adopted?

Adopted.

Senate Joint Resolution 25

Relating to: the commemoration of The Progressive magazine's 100th anniversary.

The question was: Shall **Senate Joint Resolution 25** be adopted?

Adopted.

Senate Joint Resolution 28

Relating to: proclaiming April 22, 2009, as Undergraduate Research Day and commending University of Wisconsin System students, faculty, and staff.

The question was: Shall **Senate Joint Resolution 28** be adopted?

Adopted.

Assembly Joint Resolution 28

Relating to: commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Joint Resolution 28** be concurred in?

Concurred in.

Assembly Joint Resolution 34

Relating to: the life and public service of James A. McCann.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Joint Resolution 34** be concurred in?

Concurred in.

Assembly Joint Resolution 35

Relating to: commending the Gundersen Lutheran Health System on being recognized as the first medical facility in the nation to achieve a top rating from the National Quality Measures for Breast Centers.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Joint Resolution 35** be concurred in?

Concurred in.

Senator Hansen, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly:

Senate Joint Resolution 24
Senate Joint Resolution 25
Senate Joint Resolution 28
Senate Joint Resolution 31
Assembly Joint Resolution 28
Assembly Joint Resolution 34
Assembly Joint Resolution 35

Messaged.

Senate Bill 12
Senate Bill 37

Action Messaged.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENTS OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill 27

Relating to: requiring health insurance coverage of hearing aids and cochlear implants for persons under 18 years of age.

Read a second time.

The question was: Adoption of Senate amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 27?**

Adopted.

The question was: Adoption of Senate amendment 2 to **Senate Bill 27?**

Adopted.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator Hansen, with unanimous consent, asked that the bill be considered for final action at this time.

Senator S. Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate recess for two minutes.

11:55 A.M.

RECESS

11:58 A.M.

The Senate reconvened.

President Risser in the chair.

Senate Bill 27

Read a third time and passed.

Senate Bill 49

Relating to: changing the procedures for filling vacant civil service positions in the city of Milwaukee.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that the bill be considered for final action at this time.

Senate Bill 49

Read a third time and passed.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately message to the Assembly:

Senate Bill 27
Senate Bill 49

Messaged.

Senate Bill 94

Relating to: the licensing and regulation of thermal system insulation mechanics; creating a thermal system insulation council; requiring the employment of a state inspector; establishing standards for installing and maintaining thermal system insulation; requiring the exercise of rule-making authority; making an appropriation; and providing a penalty.

Read a second time.

The question was: Adoption of Senate amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 94?**

Adopted.

The question was: Adoption of Senate amendment 2 to **Senate Bill 94?**

Adopted.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that the bill be considered for final action at this time.

Senate Bill 94

Read a third time.

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 25; noes, 7; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Ellis, Erpenbach, S. Fitzgerald, Hansen, Holperin, Jauch, Kedzie, Kreitlow, A. Lasee, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Olsen, Plale, Risser, Robson, Sullivan, Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch – 25.

Noes – Senators Grothman, Harsdorf, Hopper, Kanavas, Lazich, Leibham and Schultz – 7.

Absent or not voting – Senator Kapanke – 1.

Passed.

Assembly Bill 43

Relating to: designating portions of the Totogatic River as a wild river.

Read a second time.

Ordered to a third reading.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that the bill be considered for final action at this time.

Assembly Bill 43

Read a third time and concurred in.

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly:

Senate Bill 94
Assembly Bill 43

Messaged.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADJOURNMENT HONORS,
AND REMARKS UNDER SPECIAL PRIVILEGE**

Senator Kreitlow, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of recognizing a friend to many of you in this chamber, and a former colleague, as he achieved a personal milestone that was recently celebrated. Over the past 15 years, Senator Kreitlow has had the pleasure of talking to Dave Zien many times as he rode in or out of a location on his 1991 Harley Davidson. The bike was in a little better shape. Dave was a little more clean-shaven. But one thing has never changed over all the years: his zest for riding his motorcycle anywhere and everywhere. He'll tell you his motorcycle has a spirit, a soul that travels with him from coast to coast, from border to border. He's ridden it to some magnificent vistas and –when circumstances dictated–he's ridden it off-road to catch some sleep for a couple hours in a ditch. But as long as he was near his Harley, he was home. Now, Dave and his '91 Harley have ridden their last miles together. A couple of weeks ago, the odometer rolled over one final time, marking one million miles. There was a nice party in the Milwaukee area, and plenty of accolades from motorcycle riders and advocates who understand the bond between that Marine and his machine. They are parting company now, but Dave's bike will be at one of their many "second homes," the motorcycle museum in Sturgis, South Dakota. Anyone who has ever met Dave Zien knows he is a passionate man. He loves his

flag. He loves his country. He loves those who have served their country in the military, and there is perhaps nobody who serves his fellow veterans with greater fervor. But Senator Kreitlow would contend, most of all, Dave loves his motorcycle and the freedom of the open road. Congratulations, Dave, on your million miles and may that new bike you're getting from Harley bring you another million miles of joy.

Senator Erpenbach, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of Signe Knutson from Waunakee, who is here today with her dad, Tryg Knutson, for "Take Your Child to Work Day."

Senator Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of his son, Connor, who is shadowing him as a part of "Take Your Child to Work Day."

Senator Schultz, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of 2009, as the Year of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway. Earlier today we passed Assembly Joint Resolution 28 to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Riverway's establishment, which was granted by enabling legislation in 1989. It was Senator Schultz's pleasure to work with former State Senator Richard Kreul and Representative Spencer Black to pass a law that allowed the Riverway project to commence along the final 92 miles of the Wisconsin River. The bill also created the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board, a new state agency responsible for administration of the innovative scenic protection regulations. The Riverway legislation was signed into law following years of public meetings and controversy. Senator Schultz asks that as we adjourn, we give special recognition to a former member of his staff, Mark Cupp, who has been the director of the Riverway since its inception.

Senator Wirch, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of Lenny Kitson, Kenosha Veteran of the Year. Lenny is a tireless volunteer for veterans.

Senator Holperin, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of Sartori Food Corporation in Antigo, and master cheesemaker John Griffiths, who brought the title of U.S. Champion Cheese back to Wisconsin with his SarVecchio Parmesan. The championship judging this year was conducted, fittingly, at Lambeau Field in late March, and Sartori's win marked the 11th time in 15 championship contests that a Wisconsin cheese has captured the title.

Senator Lehman, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of the Senate Scholar Program; our two students, Greta Neubauer and Sara Danielson; and Jacob Clark, Erin Allers and Dana Mundell.

Senator Lazich, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of St. James School, Mukwonago 8th Graders and their teacher Marsha Gutzmacher for winning the Lexus Eco Challenge. They've collected a \$40,000 in prize winnings for themselves and their school from the Lexus Eco Challenge, a national philanthropic effort aimed at helping youths make a difference.

Senator Jauch, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn, it do so in honor of Jessica Holden. Senator Jauch met Jessica Holden, a foster child, earlier this year in Milwaukee when he went to speak with a group about the child

welfare and foster care system. He was immediately impressed by this bright, energetic and passionate young lady. Jessica is a remarkable 18-year-old and a high academic achiever at Rufus King High School in Milwaukee. She participates in the International Baccalaureate Program and has received the Student Achiever Award from the Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation and Milwaukee Brewers Charities. She is also a fierce forensics competitor and has written a one-act play on aspects of the child welfare system. Jessica is also an Earthwatch Institute Student Fellowship recipient to study and do fieldwork to document the effects of climate change in the Arctic Circle. Jessica's hard work and creativity have been rewarded through numerous college scholarships, such as the Horatio Alger Scholars award and the Dell Scholarship. Jessica will attend Northwestern University, where she has been awarded numerous renewable scholarships that will cover her first year. She will study psychology at Northwestern as she pursues her goal of becoming a counseling psychologist.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Decker, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, April 28, 2009.

12:32 P.M.

Adjourned.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

By Patrick E. Fuller, chief clerk.

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the Assembly has passed and asks concurrence in:

Assembly Bill 18
Assembly Bill 27
Assembly Bill 103

Adopted and asks concurrence in:

Assembly Joint Resolution 42
Assembly Joint Resolution 43
Assembly Joint Resolution 44
Assembly Joint Resolution 46
Assembly Joint Resolution 47

Concurred in:

Senate Bill 27
Senate Joint Resolution 31

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY CONSIDERED

Assembly Joint Resolution 42

Relating to: recognizing April 8 as Wellness Day in Wisconsin.

By Representatives Molepske Jr., Hebl, Pasch, Bernard Schaber, Pope-Roberts, Benedict, Seidel, Berceau, Turner, Strachota, Townsend, A. Williams, A. Ott, Steinbrink, Clark, Jorgensen and Gunderson; cosponsored by Senators Lassa, Hopper, Risser, Lehman, Olsen, Cowles and Erpenbach.

Read and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.

Assembly Joint Resolution 43

Relating to: proclaiming April 22, 2009, as Undergraduate Research Day and commending University of Wisconsin System students, faculty, and staff.

By Representatives Shilling, Berceau, Bies, Dexter, Gunderson, Hebl, Hintz, Hixson, Hraychuck, Huebsch, Mason,

Pasch, Petrowski, Pope–Roberts, Seidel, Smith, Soletski, Townsend and Turner; cosponsored by Senators Kapanke, Cowles, Erpenbach, Hansen, Lassa, Lehman, Miller, Olsen, Risser, Taylor, Vinehout and Wirch.

Read and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.

Assembly Joint Resolution 44

Relating to: declaring May 3 to May 9, 2009, to be Vasculitis Awareness Week.

By Representatives Hubler, Ziegelbauer, Molepske Jr., Pasch, Soletski, Bies, Sinicki, Pope–Roberts, Jorgensen and Townsend; cosponsored by Senators Lehman, Taylor and Plale.

Read and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.

Assembly Joint Resolution 46

Relating to: declaring May 2009 as Drug Court Month.

By Representatives Hintz, Kaufert, Pasch, Turner, Soletski, Pope–Roberts, Brooks, Parisi, Mason, Roth, Staskunas, Spanbauer, Bies, Townsend and Dexter; cosponsored by Senators Hopper, Taylor, Miller, Plale and Olsen.

Read and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.

Assembly Joint Resolution 47

Relating to: the life and public service of John L. Merkt.

By Representative J. Ott.

Read and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports:

Senate Bill 35

Relating to: the property tax exemption for waste treatment facilities.

Referred to the joint committee on **Finance**, pursuant to Senate Rule 41 (1)(e):

Ayes, 5 – Senators Decker, Risser, Hansen, Fitzgerald and Grothman.

Noes, 0 – None.

Senate Bill 20

Relating to: requiring a hospital to provide to a sexual assault victim information and, upon her request, emergency contraception and providing a penalty.

Referred to, and withdrawn from, the joint committee on **Finance**, pursuant to Senate Rule 41 (1)(e):

Ayes, 5 – Senators Decker, Risser, Hansen, Fitzgerald and Grothman.

Noes, 0 – None.

Placed the following proposals on the Senate Calendar of Tuesday, April 28, 2009:

Senate Joint Resolution 23

Senate Joint Resolution 29

Senate Bill 20

Senate Bill 29

Senate Bill 46

Senate Bill 91

Senate Bill 97

Senate Bill 126

Senate Bill 141

Senate Bill 161

Assembly Joint Resolution 42

Assembly Joint Resolution 43

Assembly Joint Resolution 44

Assembly Joint Resolution 46

Assembly Joint Resolution 47

Ayes: 5 – Senators Decker, Risser, Hansen, Fitzgerald and Grothman.

Noes: 0 – None.

RUSS DECKER
Chairperson