

STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

One-Hundredth Regular Session

MONDAY, February 13, 2012

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

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 216** offered by Representative Petrowski.

Assembly amendment 2 to **Assembly Bill 476** offered by Representative Tauchen.

Assembly amendment 2 to **Assembly Bill 493** offered by Representative Kramer.

Assembly amendment 3 to **Assembly Bill 525** offered by committee on **Election and Campaign Reform**.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 549** offered by Representative Ballweg.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Resolution 20

Relating to: proclaiming Catholic Schools Week.

By Representative Zepnick.

To committee on Rules.

Assembly Bill 559

Relating to: authorizing the creation of regional transit authorities and making appropriations.

By Representatives Bernard Schaber, Pocan, Pope–Roberts, Sinicki, C. Taylor and Turner; cosponsored by Senators Vinehout, C. Larson and Risser.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 560

Relating to: information related to condominiums that must be furnished with real estate condition reports.

By Representatives Rivard, Marklein, Doyle, Steineke and Stroebel; cosponsored by Senator Darling.

To committee on **Housing**.

Assembly Bill 561

Relating to: miscellaneous landlord-tenant provisions and prohibiting a local government from imposing a moratorium on eviction actions.

By Representatives Stroebel, Jacque, Litjens and Pridemore; cosponsored by Senator Lasee.

To committee on **Housing**.

Assembly Bill 562

Relating to: limiting the authority of a city, village, or town to enact a development moratorium ordinance.

By Representatives Steineke, Jacque, LeMahieu and Stroebel.

To committee on **Housing**.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on **Election and Campaign Reform** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 476

Relating to: county and municipal canvassing procedures, provisional ballot information, the deadline for filing a recount petition, terms of town officers, the date of the annual town meeting, and technical revisions to certain election laws.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 4 – Representatives Tauchen, Stone, Pridemore and Weininger.

Noes: 2 – Representatives Roys and Zamarripa.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 4 – Representatives Tauchen, Stone, Pridemore and Weininger.

Noes: 2 – Representatives Roys and Zamarripa.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 506

Relating to: requiring the county clerk to organize the first election of officers following the incorporation of a city or village.

Passage:

Ayes: 6 – Representatives Tauchen, Stone, Pridemore, Weininger, Roys and Zamarripa.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

GARY TAUCHEN

Chairperson

Committee on Election and Campaign Reform

The committee on **Financial Institutions** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 493

Relating to: the procedure for the administrative dissolution of corporations.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 13 – Representatives Kramer, Kooyenga, Kaufert, Kerkman, Marklein, Tranel, Craig, Stroebel, Fields, Zepnick, Young, Hintz and Richards.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 13 – Representatives Kramer, Kooyenga, Kaufert, Kerkman, Marklein, Tranel, Craig, Stroebel, Fields, Zepnick, Young, Hintz and Richards.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 307

Relating to: foreclosure on abandoned properties.

Concurrence:

Ayes: 13 – Representatives Kramer, Kooyenga, Kaufert, Kerkman, Marklein, Tranel, Craig, Stroebel, Fields, Zepnick, Young, Hintz and Richards.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 356

Relating to: the authority of credit unions to make donations and grants.

Concurrence:

Ayes: 13 – Representatives Kramer, Kooyenga, Kaufert, Kerkman, Marklein, Tranel, Craig, Stroebel, Fields, Zepnick, Young, Hintz and Richards.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

BILL KRAMER
Chairperson
Committee on Financial Institutions

The committee on **Homeland Security and State Affairs** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 418

Relating to: agreements to locate unclaimed property reported to the state treasurer.

Passage:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Van Roy, Kuglitsch, Ballweg, August, Kooyenga, Danou, Zamarripa and Bewley.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

Assembly Bill 419

Relating to: interest due on property determined to be abandoned and due to be paid or delivered to the state treasurer.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Van Roy, Kuglitsch, Ballweg, August, Kooyenga, Danou, Zamarripa and Bewley.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Van Roy, Kuglitsch, Ballweg, August, Kooyenga, Danou, Zamarripa and Bewley.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

KARL VAN ROY
Chairperson
Committee on Homeland Security and
State Affairs

The committee on **Labor and Workforce Development** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 450

Relating to: participation in certain training by unemployment insurance claimants, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Ballweg, Kapenga, Nass, Kuglitsch, Litjens, Sinicki, Toles and C. Taylor.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Ballweg, Kapenga, Nass, Kuglitsch, Litjens, Sinicki, Toles and C. Taylor.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 153

Relating to: permitting governmental employers who are not participating employers in the Wisconsin Retirement System to be covered in the local government health insurance plan offered by the group insurance board.

Concurrence:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Ballweg, Kapenga, Nass, Kuglitsch, Litjens, Sinicki, Toles and C. Taylor.

Noes: 0.

To committee on Rules.

JOAN BALLWEG
Chairperson
Committee on Labor and Workforce
Development

SPEAKER'S COMMUNICATIONS

DATE: February 13, 2012

TO: Patrick E. Fuller, Assembly Chief Clerk

FROM: Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald

RE: Appointment to Joint Committee on Finance

Assembly Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald has confirmed, and hereby appointed, Representative Peter Barca's nomination of Representative Jon Richards to temporarily serve on the Joint Committee on Finance. Representative Richards will fulfill this duty until Representative Tamara Grigsby is able to make a full medical recovery.

COMMUNICATIONS

February 6, 2012

Patrick Fuller Assembly Chief Clerk 17 West Main Street, Suite 401 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Patrick:

I am pleased to transmit to you the following reports to the 2011 Legislature on legislation introduced by the Joint Legislative Council as well as activities of this committee;

RL 2011–02 Special Committee on Review of the Managed Forest Land Program, **Revised December 5, 2011**.

I would appreciate your including this letter in the Journal for the information of the membership. Additional copies of this report are available at the Legislative Council Staff offices, One East Main, Suite 401, or from our web page at http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lc.

Sincerely, TERRY C. ANDERSON Joint Legislative Council Director

February 13, 2012

Patrick Fuller Assembly Chief Clerk 17 West Main Street, Suite 401 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please add my name as a co-sponsor of Assembly Bill 553, relating to matching financial records for Medical Assistance eligibility and providing a penalty.

Sincerely, PAM GALLOWAY

State Senator 29th Senate District

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau Madison

February 8, 2012

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

We have completed our financial audit of the University of Wisconsin (UW) System for the years ended June 30, 2011, and June 30, 2010. UW System's financial statements and our unqualified audit opinion on them, dated December 21, 2011, have been included in UW System's 2011 Annual Financial Report, which is enclosed. This report will be presented to the UW Board of Regents at its meetings on February 9 and 10.

General Purpose Revenue (GPR), which is shown as State Appropriations on UW System's financial statements, increased 5.5 percent, from \$974.4 million in fiscal year (FY) 2009-10 to \$1,028.3 million in FY 2010-11. This funding does not include GPR funding that is used to repay debt on academic facilities, which is technically debt of the State of Wisconsin and not UW System. Such debt service payments totaled \$73.1 million for FY 2010-11 and \$52.7 million for FY 2009-10.

From FY 2009-10 to FY 2010-11, operating revenues increased by \$215.2 million, or 6.9 percent. Tuition and Fees, which accounted for 32.3 percent of total operating revenues in FY 2010-11, increased by \$67.0 million to \$1,074.9 million. Federal grants and contracts revenue increased from \$813.3 million in FY 2009-10 to \$871.3 million in FY 2010-11. Other significant operating revenues of the UW System include state, local, and grants and contracts; sales and services of educational activities; and sales and services of auxiliary enterprises.

Operating expenses increased by \$172.6 million from \$4.1 billion in FY 2009-10 to \$4.3 billion in FY 2010-11. Salaries and fringe benefit expenses, which comprise 66.4 percent of total operating expenses, increased by \$103.5 million. Supplies and services expenses, which comprise 25.0 percent of total operating expenses, increased by \$30.3 million.

Beginning in April 2011, the UW System's new Human Resource System (HRS) was used to calculate and produce employee payroll checks and maintain employee-related information. Because HRS was operational for only three months during our audit period, our review was limited. However, we identified concerns with access granted to users of the system and made a recommendation to UW System to improve controls in this area. We will perform a full review of HRS as part of our FY 2011-12 audit, and determine whether UW System took necessary steps to address the concerns we noted.

Enclosed is a management letter, which includes an auditor's report on compliance and internal control over financial reporting, as required by Government Auditing Standards.

This letter was provided to the UW System and includes our concern regarding HRS security, as well as the status of two continuing internal control concerns identified during prior audits.

Sincerely,

JOE CHRISMAN

State Auditor

State of Wisconsin Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Madison

February 10, 2012

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Click on the link below to view our interim 2011 annual report for the QNBV Investor Tax Credit (ACT 255) Program. The QNBV program has demonstrated its effectiveness in stimulating seed and early stage growth investments across many key industries, such as information technology, energy, bioscience, healthcare and advanced manufacturing. These industries provide a cornerstone for business and job growth in this state.

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Some key report metrics I would like to highlight:

- State investment per job was only \$12,106 in 2009 and that dropped to \$8,174 in 2010.
- The state's investment dollars were leveraged from outside investments (equity and debt) at a ratio of 23:1 through 2010. We have certified 193 companies to—date and helped support 900 jobs in 2010.
- Final 2011 data will be available June 1, 2012.

The WEDC, through its Division of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, is aggressively implementing programs to stimulate business start-ups. We need to move this state from the bottom ten to the top ten in the nation for business start-ups. We are working together to find creative approaches to enhance seed and early stage equity investments and implement accelerator programs to create successful business start-ups.

Steve Jobs once said, "The only way to survive is to innovate our way out of this."

Our team looks forward to working closely with you to innovate and create an entrepreneurial culture and the programs that support it, the programs, like Act 255, that will lead the nation in business creation and job growth.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or anyone on my team if you need additional information on our division's programs and strategies.

Sincerely, *LISA JOHNSON*VP of Entrepreneurship and Innovation