

STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

One-Hundredth Regular Session

FRIDAY, February 17, 2012

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

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 1 to Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 451** offered by Representative Farrow.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 487** offered by Representative Pasch.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 497** offered by Representative Bies.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 522** offered by Representatives Bernard Schaber, Jorgensen, Vruwink, Bewley, Steinbrink and E. Coggs.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Joint Resolution 111

Relating to: recognizing the contribution of the men and women of the Wisconsin Air National Guard to Operation Unified Protector in freeing the Libyan nation from tyranny.

By Representatives Kleefisch, Tranel, Stone, Petryk, Bies, Marklein, Thiesfeldt, Sinicki, Steineke, Brooks, Ballweg, A. Ott, Endsley, Spanbauer, Stroebel and Grigsby; cosponsored by Senators Schultz, Lassa and Hansen.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 572

Relating to: tax credit programs administered by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

By Representative Williams.

To committee on Jobs, Economy and Small Business.

Assembly Bill 573

Relating to: stewardship funding for grants to control invasive species.

By Representatives Molepske Jr, Mursau, Spanbauer, Turner, Ringhand, Clark, Ballweg, Bernard Schaber, Pasch, Krug and Berceau; cosponsored by Senators Hansen and Holperin.

To committee on Natural Resources.

Assembly Bill 574

Relating to: authorizing the creation of a Fox Cities regional transit authority and making appropriations.

By Representatives Bernard Schaber, Steineke, Litjens, Berceau, Hintz and Pasch; cosponsored by Senator Ellis.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 575

Relating to: directing the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation to develop a workforce training program and authorizing a technical college district board to obtain a state trust fund loan to provide workforce training.

By Representatives Molepske Jr, Bewley, Clark, Fields, Grigsby, Pasch, Pocan, Ringhand, Staskunas, Turner, E. Coggs, Krug, Berceau, Bernard Schaber and Doyle; cosponsored by Senators Hansen, Holperin, King and C. Larson.

To committee on Jobs, Economy and Small Business.

Assembly Bill 576

Relating to: selection of student information system vendors by the Department of Public Instruction.

By Representatives Molepske Jr, Turner, Bernard Schaber, Bewley, Krug and Berceau; cosponsored by Senators Lassa, Schultz and Holperin.

To committee on **Education**.

Assembly Bill 577

Relating to: funding for the urban mass transit operating assistance program and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Pasch, Hintz, Grigsby, Hulsey, Pope–Roberts, Bewley, Berceau, Richards, Spanbauer, Mason, Turner, Zamarripa, D. Cullen, E. Coggs, Kessler, Staskunas, Young, Sinicki, C. Taylor, Pocan, Seidel, Fields, Bernard Schaber, Zepnick, Molepske Jr and Toles; cosponsored by Senators King, C. Larson, Vinehout, Taylor, Risser, Carpenter, Erpenbach, S. Coggs, Wirch, Shilling, Hansen and T. Cullen.

To committee on Transportation.

Assembly Bill 578

Relating to: employment discrimination based on credit history.

By Representatives Wynn and E. Coggs.

To committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Assembly Bill 579

Relating to: licensing of plants that process certain foods made with milk or milk products.

By Representative Jacque; cosponsored by Senator Lasee. To committee on **Jobs, Economy and Small Business**.

Assembly Bill 580

Relating to: registration of motor vehicles by the Department of Transportation.

By Representatives Wynn, Petrowski, Strachota, Thiesfeldt, Endsley, Kestell, Kerkman, Stroebel, Marklein, A. Ott and Krug; cosponsored by Senators Grothman, Erpenbach and Wanggaard.

To committee on Transportation.

Assembly Bill 581

Relating to: setback requirements for wind energy systems.

By Representatives Murtha, Bies, Jacque, Kestell, LeMahieu, Pridemore and Van Roy; cosponsored by Senator Lasee.

To committee on Energy and Utilities.

Assembly Bill 582

Relating to: regulation of rental-purchase agreements and granting rule-making authority.

By Representatives Petryk, Bernier, Litjens, Stone and Suder; cosponsored by Senator Moulton.

To committee on Financial Institutions.

Assembly Bill 583

Relating to: community welcoming signs within highway rights-of-way.

By Representative J. Fitzgerald; cosponsored by Senator S. Fitzgerald.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 584

Relating to: requiring a person arrested for or charged with certain offenses, or a juvenile taken into custody for certain offenses, to provide a biological specimen for deoxyribonucleic acid analysis; inclusion of the analysis results in the deoxyribonucleic acid data bank; requiring the exercise of rule–making authority; and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Vos, Kerkman, Ballweg, Kaufert, Nerison, Brooks, Endsley, Marklein and A. Ott; cosponsored by Senators Harsdorf, Olsen and Schultz.

To committee on Criminal Justice and Corrections.

REFERENCE BUREAU CORRECTIONS

Assembly Bill 370

1. Page 2, line 10: delete "noncommerical" and substitute "noncommercial".

Assembly Bill 463

1. Page 19, line 18: delete "(**4**) (3g)" and substitute "(**3**g)".

Assembly Bill 534

1. Page 3, line 3: before "49.155" insert "s.".

Assembly Bill 535

1. Page 2, line 7: delete "subdivision" and substitute "paragraph".

SPEAKER'S COMMUNICATIONS

February 17, 2012

Representative Don Pridemore Room 318 North, State Capitol P.O. Box 8953 Madison, Wisconsin 53708

Dear Representative Pridemore:

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 42 (3)(c), with your approval I am withdrawing Assembly Bill 271 from the Children and Families committee and referring the bill to the Health committee.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, JEFF FITZGERALD Assembly Speaker

COMMUNICATIONS

February 17, 2012

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

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please remove my name as a co-author of Assembly Bill 570, relating to investment activities in Iran, state procurement and construction contracts, and providing penalties.

Sincerely, DANIEL LEMAHIEU State Representative 59th Assembly District February 17, 2012

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

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please add Senator Frank Lasee as a co-sponsor of Assembly Bill 571, relating to regulating certain service contracts and granting rule–making authority. Senator Lasee will be the lead author for the Senate companion of this bill.

> Sincerely, JOHN NYGREN State Representative 89th Assembly District

> > February 17, 2012

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

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend yesterday's session of the State Assembly. I would like to submit the votes I would have cast on the motions below for inclusion in the Assembly Journal.

In favor of suspension of the rules to withdraw Assembly Resolution 14

In favor of suspension of the rules to withdraw Assembly Joint Resolution 52

In favor of suspension of the rules to withdraw Assembly Bill 90

Against tabling of Assembly amendment 2 to Assembly Bill 450

In favor of passage of Assembly Bill 450

In favor of suspension of the rules to withdraw Senate Bill 174

In favor of passage of Assembly Bill 377

Against suspension of the rules for 3rd reading of Senate Bill 202

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best wishes, JOHN STEINBRINK State Representative 65th Assembly District 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 572, relating to tax credit programs administered by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

Sincerely, JOSEPH LEIBHAM State Senator 9th Senate District

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Medical College of Wisconsin Milwaukee

February 15, 2012

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The Medical College of Wisconsin respectfully submits a revised 2009-2011 Biennial Student Enrollment Report. This report should replace the 2009-2011 Biennial Student Enrollment Report submitted on October 19, 2011.

Prepared according to the statutory requirement under section 13.106, this report covers the period ending June 30, 2011.

In November 2011, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau brought to our attention a precipitous decline in the number of Wisconsin resident students who have been accepted to MCW since 2005 and requested an explanation of this trend. Though the Medical College had recognized this decline as an inevitable result of reduced capitation, we appreciated attention placed on a particularly sharp decline in the 2010 census reporting numbers. Therefore, when preparing our response to the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, we conducted a comprehensive internal examination of admission data, reports and processes.

Through a coordinated approach with our Office of Internal Audit, with leadership from our Office of Academic Affairs, the audit did find some discrepancies between the data we provided in the October Biennial Student Enrollment Report. On December 1, we notified the Legislative Fiscal Bureau of this examination and pending revised report.

The revised final report is now enclosed and submitted for record with the following changes:

2009-2010 Reporting – Reasons for change to Page 4
Reported Native Hawaiian in the Native American group versus the Pacific Islander group

- Typo (extra digit) in the Pacific Islander Table
- Report for calculating Total Applicants was miscalculated by one Corporate IT rectifying data

February 17, 2012

2010-2011 Reporting - Reasons for change to Page 5

• Reported Native Hawaiian in the Native American group versus the Pacific Islander group

• Report for calculating Total Applicants was miscalculated by one

• Residents Active group: one foreign student was double counted

• Accepted In-State totals: initial report missed some groups in the original count; manual tracking and system generated reports have been reconciled and revised count of 140 has been verified and approved by Director of Admissions. Revised process includes a reconciliation step between the report produced from the system and the manual reporting procedures.

The Medical College is committed to encourage and incentivize Wisconsin students to stay in Wisconsin for their medical training. Significant process improvements are being implemented to ensure accuracy for future reporting, and the Medical College is embarking on new models of community medical education expansion that will, we believe, be an innovative and exciting opportunity for Wisconsin medical students.

Thank you for your attention to this revised report and please do contact me if additional information or explanation is required.

> Sincere regards, *KATHRYN A. KUHN* Vice President of Government and Community Relations Medical College of Wisconsin

Referred to committee on Colleges and Universities.

State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services Madison

February 17, 2012

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The Department of Health Services is pleased to provide this annual report of hunger in Wisconsin, as required under s. 49.76.

There are various Department of Health Services programs available to families needing supplemental food. The following information provides a historical perspective on participation and funding levels of these programs.

The FoodShare Program (formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) benefit payments and individual participation have grown steadily. FoodShare, as an entitlement program, is available to all eligible recipients.

The WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Nutrition Program is a discretionary program with limited funding, as allocated

annually by Congress. There has been sufficient funding to serve all of the people applying for WIC; there are no waiting lists.

The WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) is also a discretionary program with very limited funding. The Department serves as many families as possible each year within the available funds. The Program may use unspent carryover funds from previous years to cover higher participation levels when funding is decreased.

Families may also acquire emergency foods through food pantries and programs such as The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). There are two types of commodity foods in TEFAP. Entitlement foods are based on the state's annual federal allocation. Bonus foods are offered to states as available from USDA.

Definitions of food security are developed by the federal government. Individuals classified as having very low food security have reported multiple indications of reduced food intake and disrupted eating patterns due to inadequate resources for food.

There are many child nutrition programs administered through the Department of Public Instruction that contribute immensely to family food security, including school meals, summer feeding programs, child and adult care food programs, among others. Community partners will continue to work cooperatively to address the many facets that affect family food security and align with Wisconsin implementation plans that include:

• The Healthiest Wisconsin 2020 and the Wisconsin Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity State Plan work to improve rates of breast feeding initiation and duration, as well as, improve access to healthy and affordable foods through grocery stores and farmers' markets.

• Ending Hunger in Wisconsin – The Wisconsin Food Security Consortium promotes strategies representing the four "legs" of the food security table:

1. Support and promote programs and activities that improve family economic security

2. Support and promote programs and activities to improve access to affordable and healthy food

3. Support improved access, funding and participation in federal nutrition programs

4. Strengthen the emergency food assistance agencies, programs and network

These successes and challenges indicate the need for continued commitment of the Department to fight hunger in Wisconsin.

Sincerely, DENNIS G. SMITH Secretary

Referred to committee on Children and Families.