

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninetieth Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

Wednesday, April 17, 1991

The senate met.

The senate was called to order by Senator Helbach.

The Chair, with unanimous consent, asked that the calling of the roll be dispensed with.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The joint committee on Finance reports and recommends:

Senate Bill 25

Relating to eligibility for a tax rate disparity payment.

Passage with emergency clause attached:

Ayes, 14 -- Senators George, Roshell, Chvala, Andrea, Czarnezki, Jauch, Leean and Weeden; Representatives Linton, Wineke, Coggs, Antaramian, Panzer and Brancel; Noes, 2 -- Representatives Holperin and Hubler.

Gary R. George
Co-chair

Barbara J. Linton
Co-chair

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin

Department of Health and Social Services

April 16, 1991

To the Honorable the Legislature:

1989 Wisconsin Act 83 requires the Department of Health and Social Services to annually report to the Legislature on its Medicare Maximization efforts. The enclosed report addresses activities for 1990 and anticipated efforts for 1991.

Sincerely,
Gerald Whitburn
Secretary

State of Wisconsin

Department of Health and Social Services

March 1991

To the Honorable the Legislature:

Pursuant to the requirements of sections 153.10 (1), Wis. Stats., I am pleased to submit to the Governor and to the Legislature the quarterly Health Care Data Report. This report is based on hospital inpatient discharge data reported to the Office of Health Care Information by all operating general medical surgical

and specialty hospitals in Wisconsin for the third quarter of 1990 (July-September). For the first time, it also contains selected outpatient surgery utilization and charge data from general medical-surgical hospitals in Wisconsin during the same quarter.

This report fulfills the statutory requirement to report "in a manner that permits comparisons among hospitals... the charges for up to 100 health care services or diagnostic-related groups selected by the office."

I wish to express my appreciation to all Wisconsin hospitals for their cooperation in the collection of the data which enabled us to prepare this report. Printed copies of this report are available from the Office. Please contact our office should you or your staff have any questions.

Sincerely,
David J. W. Klauser
Director, Office of
Health Care Information

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

April 8, 1991

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint MICHAEL MEEUWSEN of Green Bay, as a member of the Savings and Loan Review Board pursuant to the statute governing, to serve for the interim term ending May 1, 1993.

Respectfully,
Tommy Thompson
Governor

Read and referred to committee on Education, Economic Development, Financial Institutions and Fiscal Policies.

SENATE CLEARINGHOUSE ORDERS

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 90-223

Relating to surface water quality criteria for toxic substances.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from agency, April 16, 1991.

Referred to committee on Urban Affairs, Environmental Resources and Elections, April 17, 1991.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 90-229**

Relating to commercial fishing on Lake Michigan and Green Bay.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from agency, April 16, 1991.

Referred to committee on Urban Affairs, Environmental Resources and Elections, April 17, 1991.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 90-256**

Relating to lake trout size limits, lake trout quotas and commercial fishing in Lake Superior.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from agency, April 16, 1991.

Referred to committee on Urban Affairs, Environmental Resources and Elections, April 17, 1991.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 91-25**

Relating to a community-based economic development program.

Submitted by Department of Development.

Report received from agency, April 16, 1991.

Referred to committee on Education, Economic Development, Financial Institutions and Fiscal Policies, April 17, 1991.

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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY

By Thomas T. Melvin, chief clerk.

Mr. President:

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

**Assembly Joint Resolution 50**

**Assembly Joint Resolution 51**

Passed and asks concurrence in:

**Assembly Bill 31**

**Assembly Bill 49**

**Assembly Bill 326**

**Assembly Bill 179**

Concurred in:

**Senate Joint Resolution 32**

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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY  
CONSIDERED

**Assembly Joint Resolution 50**

Relating to designating the first week in May of 1991 as 'Elder Abuse Awareness Week'.

By Representatives Van Dreel, Krusick, Zweck, Notestein, Hough, Lehman, Krug, M. Coggs, Hahn, Stower, Rutkowski, Porter, Boyle, Barca, Carpenter, Huber, Vander Loop, Bock, S. Coggs, Vanderperren, Lautenschlager, Hinkfuss, Baldus, Holschbach, Hisrich, Rohan, Plache, Van Gorden, Musser, Lorge, Silbaugh and Freese, cosponsored by Senators Feingold, Ulichny, Andrea, Farrow, Barrett, Moen, Breske, Czarnecki, Petak and Cowles.

Read and referred to committee on Aging, Banking, Communications and Taxation.

**Assembly Joint Resolution 51**

Relating to commending Steve Nass.

By Representatives Loucks, Clarenbach, Welch and Kunicki.

Read and referred to committee on Senate Organization.

**Assembly Bill 31**

Relating to possession of firearms by persons who have been involuntarily committed for treatment for mental illness, drug dependency or developmental disability.

By Representatives Medinger, Huber, Duff, Schneiders, Porter, Van Gorden, Seery, Musser, Deininger, Lehman, Hasenohrl, Silbaugh, Rosenzweig, Radtke, Gruszynski, Vrakas, Zien, Bolle, Brancel, Underheim, Krusick, Lautenschlager, Darling, Potter, Hamilton and Turner, cosponsored by Senators Breske, Rude, Lorman, Huelsman, Buettner, Plewa, Weeden and Roshell.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary and Consumer Affairs.

**Assembly Bill 49**

Relating to jail and correctional system impact estimates.

By Representatives Krug, Hamilton, Panzer, Huber, Ourada, Lautenschlager, Gard, Medinger, Schultz, Notestein, Goetsch, Potter, Zien, Turner, Lorge, Baldus, Ott, Carpenter, Rosenzweig, Bolle, Young, Hubler, Fortis, Robson, Stower, Roberts, Antaramian and Plache, cosponsored by Senators Adelman, Cowles and Lorman.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary and Consumer Affairs.

**Assembly Bill 326**

Relating to discharging a firearm from a vehicle and providing penalties.

By Representatives Kunicki, Huber and Travis, cosponsored by Senator Burke.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary and Consumer Affairs.

**Assembly Bill 179**

Relating to firearm transfers, providing penalties and granting rule-making authority.

By Representatives Bock, Carpenter, Plache, Fortis, Ainsworth, Notestein, Darling, Vanderperren, Urban, M. Coggs, Potter, Young and Barca, cosponsored by Senators Barrett, Burke and Risser.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary and Consumer Affairs.

Senator Helbach, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 A.M. Thursday, April 18.

10:01 A.M.