



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninety–Third Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, May 15, 1997

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senator Robert Wirsch.

The Chair, with unanimous consent, asked that the proper entries be made in the journal.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

Read first time and referred:

Senate Bill 208

Relating to: requiring notice to an insured before a liability insurance claim is paid.

By Senator Plache, by request of David Kristopeit, Racine.

To committee on **Insurance, Tourism and Rural Affairs**.

Senate Bill 209

Relating to: notice to individuals prior to release of public records containing personally identifiable information pertaining to the individuals and a right of action to restrain the release of such information.

By Senator Adelman.

To committee on **Judiciary, Campaign Finance Reform and Consumer Affairs**.

Senate Bill 210

Relating to: distribution of periodic publications containing information Relating to the Wisconsin retirement system.

By Senator Chvala, by request of Joe Joyce.

To committee on **Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Labor, Transportation and Financial Institutions** reports and recommends:

Senate Bill 14

Relating to: employment relations for members of the University of Wisconsin System faculty and academic staff.

Introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 1.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker and Zien.

Noes, 2 – Senators Darling and Farrow.

Introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 2.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 0 – None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes, 4 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore and Decker.

Noes, 3 – Senators Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Senate Bill 23

Relating to: special distinguishing registration plates associated with the Green Bay Packers professional football team, payments to D.A.R.E. Wisconsin, Ltd., and making an appropriation.

Introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 1.

Ayes, 6 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker, Zien and Farrow.

Noes, 1 – Senator Darling.

Introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 2.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 0 – None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 0 – None.

Senate Bill 39

Relating to: stopping at railroad crossings, reckless driving at railroad crossings and providing penalties.

Introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 1.

Ayes, 6 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 1 – Senator Decker.

Passage as amended.

Ayes, 6 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 1 – Senator Decker.

Senate Bill 88

Relating to: increasing forfeitures for motor vehicle speed restriction violations committed in school zones and providing penalties.

Introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 1.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 0 – None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Plache, C. Potter, Moore, Decker, Zien, Darling and Farrow.

Noes, 0 – None.

Kimberly Plache
Chairperson

State of Wisconsin

Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems

Report of joint survey committee on Retirement Systems received on.

Senate Bill 32

Relating to: the 5-year vesting requirement to receive an annuity under the Wisconsin retirement system.

The **Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems** finds that **Senate Bill 32** reflects good public policy, and the Committee recommends its passage.

Richard Grobschmidt
Senate Chairperson

Referred to committee on **Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations.**

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**State of Wisconsin
Ethics Board**

May 13, 1997

To the Honorable the Senate:

At the direction of § 13.685(7), *Wisconsin Statutes*, I am furnishing you with the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board that employ one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules, and notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers. For each recently registered organization I have included the organization's description of the general area of legislative or administrative action that it attempts to influence and the name of each licensed lobbyist that the organization has authorized to act on its behalf.

Organizations recently registered:

Below are the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board as employing one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules.

Aid Assn for Lutherans

Subject(s): Any legislation or administrative role which may affect the tax exempt status of fraternal benefit societies or which may impact a life insurance carrier.

Brosnan, Sharon
Leib, Mary Beth

Fraternal Congress, Wisconsin

Subject(s): Any legislative or administrative activity which would impact the tax exemption of fraternal benefit societies, or which would impact a life insurance carrier. Subject areas include but are not limited to property tax, premium tax, risk classification, long term care insurance, corporate, employment, insurance, or investment law.

Schreiber, Martin

Infiltrator Systems Inc

Subject(s): The state administrative code which establishes approval criteria for on-site wastewater treatment systems.

Beardsley, Daniel
Essie, Patrick

Johnson-Keland Land Company Inc

Subject(s): Licensing of fish hatcheries.

Brown, George

Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:

The following organizations previously registered with the Ethics Board have authorized to act on their behalf these additional licensed lobbyists:

Corrections Corporation of America

Grotefend, Mike

Glendale City of

Hiniker, Stephen J

Medical Society of Wisconsin, State

Hottenroth, Theresa

Timber Producers Assn of Michigan & Wisconsin, Inc

O'Connor, Alice

Termination of lobbying authorizations:

The following individuals are no longer authorized to lobby on behalf of the organizations listed below, as of the dates indicated.

Rifle Assn Institute for Legislative Action, National

Adkins, Todd 5/2/97

Timber Producers Assn of Michigan & Wisconsin, Inc

Gerlach, Chester 5/9/97

Also available from the Wisconsin Ethics Board are reports identifying the amount and value of time state agencies have spent to affect legislative action and reports of expenditures for lobbying activities filed by the organizations that employ lobbyists.

Sincerely,

R. ROTH JUDD
Executive Director

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

**THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

EXECUTIVE ORDER #310

Relating to a Proclamation Amending Executive Order #300

WHEREAS, Executive Order #300 created the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Campaign Finance Reform (hereinafter "Commission"); and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 300 required the Commission to submit a report to the Governor on its findings and recommendations by May 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Commission has requested that the May 1, 1997 deadline be extended to May 30, 1997;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby amend Executive Order #300 and extend the deadline by which the Commission is required to submit its report to the Governor to May 30, 1997:

IN TESTIMONY WHERE OF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this second day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #311

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin be Flown at Half-Staff as a Mark of Respect for Peace Officers Who Have Given Their Lives in the Line of Duty

WHEREAS, peace officers throughout the State of Wisconsin place themselves in grave danger on a daily basis to protect and serve the citizens of this great state; and

WHEREAS, it is important and appropriate that the people of Wisconsin pause to remember peace officers who have given their lives in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, the fifteenth day of May has been designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day pursuant to Federal law (see 36 USC ss. 167); and

WHEREAS, the calendar week during which the fifteenth day of May occurs has been designated as Police Week pursuant to Federal law in recognition of the service given by the men and women who, night and day, stand guard in our midst to protect us through the enforcement of our laws (see 36 USC ss. 167); and

WHEREAS, Federal law requires the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff on Peace Officers Memorial Day (see 36 USC ss. 175); and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 1997 at a ceremony at the State Capitol, the State of Wisconsin will honor the peace officers of this state who have given their lives in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, similar ceremonies will be held across the state during Police Week (i.e., May 11, 1997 through May 17, 1997):

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by Federal and State law, do hereby:

1. Order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds and military installations of the State of Wisconsin beginning at sunrise on May 15, 1997 and ending at sunset on that date;
2. Order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds and military installations of the State of Wisconsin located in the City of Madison beginning at sunrise on May 16, 1997 and ending at sunset on that date;
3. Authorize any jurisdiction of this state to fly the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin at half-staff on any day during Police Week (i.e., May 11, 1997 through May 17, 1997) that such jurisdiction officially honors, in a public ceremony, peace officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

IN TESTIMONY WHERE OF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this fifth day of May in the year

one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

**REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF
COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

The committee on **Health, Human Services, Aging, Corrections, Veterans and Military Affairs** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 96-163

Relating to the definition of prison industry.

Report objection recommended, Ayes 4, Noes 3.

Ayes, 4 – Senators Moen, Breske, Moore and Wirch.

Noes, 3 – Senators Roessler, Rosenzweig and Fitzgerald.

Rodney Moen
Chairperson

Referred to joint committee for **review of Administrative Rules**.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

By Charles Sanders, chief clerk.

Mr. President:

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

Assembly Bill 104

**MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY
CONSIDERED**

Assembly Bill 104

Relating to: prohibiting marriage between persons of the same sex.

By Representatives Seratti, Ladwig, Nass, Albers, Porter, Wood, Dobyns, Grothman, Ryba, Urban, Ainsworth, Zukowski, Musser, Freese, Green, Hoven, Ott, Olsen, Goetsch, Otte, Sykora, Lazich, Owens, Underheim, Gard, F. Lasee, Hahn, Schafer, Huebsch, Kedzie, Kreibich, M. Lehman, Brandemuehl and Vrakas; cosponsored by Senators Fitzgerald, Drzewiecki, Buettner, Schultz, Zien, Cowles, A. Lasee, Weeden and Farrow.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Judiciary, Campaign Finance Reform and Consumer Affairs**.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Wirch, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, May 20 at 10:00 A.M..

Adjourned.

10:01 A.M.