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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin

Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District

September 17, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

Enclosed please find your copy of the August 1998 Miller Park Monthly Progress Report. If you have any questions or comments on this month's report, please feel free to contact me. Thank you in advance for your consideration and input on the Miller Park project.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL R. DUCKETT, P.E., R.L.S.
Executive Director

State of Wisconsin

Department of Transportation

September 8, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

The enclosed report has been sent to you pursuant to sec. 1.11 (2)(j), Stats. This statute states:

“Annually, no later than September 15, submit a report to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution to the legislature under s.13.172 (2), including the number of proposed actions for which the agency conducted an assessment of whether an impact statement was required under par. (c) and the number of impact statements prepared under par.(c)”

This report addresses the activities of the Department of Transportation for Fiscal Year 1998, the period from July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998.

Sincerely,

CHARLES H. THOMPSON
Secretary

State of Wisconsin
Investment Board

September 8, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to s. 1.11(2)(j) of the Statutes, the State of Wisconsin Investment Board is pleased to report that during fiscal year 1998, it did not consider any proposals for major actions in Wisconsin that could significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the agency was not required to prepare any environmental assessments or impact statements under s. 1.11.

Please contact Ken Johnson at 267–0221 if you have any questions concerning this report.

Sincerely,

PATRICIA LIPTON
Executive Director

State of Wisconsin

Department of Natural Resources

September 3, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

We at the Department of Natural Resources are pleased to provide you with a copy of our annual Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA) report. In fulfillment of Section 1.11 (2)(j) of the State Statutes, this document provides information on the numbers of environment assessments (EA's) and environmental impact statements (EIS's) completed by the Department in the past fiscal year.

Questions about the report can be directed to George Albright, Chief of the Environmental Analysis and Liaison Section, Bureau of Integrated Science Services, phone – 266–6437.

Sincerely,

GEORGE MEYER
Secretary

State of Wisconsin

Public Service Commission

September 11, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to s. 1.11(2)(j), Stats., please find the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin's (Commission) Annual Report to the Legislature. The report describes the environmental assessments and environmental impact statements prepared for major actions before the Commission between July 1, 1997, and June 30, 1998.

If you have any question regarding the report, please contact Ms. Kathleen Zuelsdorff at (608)266–2730

Sincerely,

JOSEPH P. METTNER
Chairman

State of Wisconsin

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

September 11, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

[1991 Wisconsin Act 273](#) created section 1.11 (2)(j), Wis. Stats. which requires the submittal of an annual report to the chief clerk of each house of the Legislature by September 15 regarding the preparation of environmental assessments and environmental impact statements.

I am submitting the attached report prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection for fiscal year 1998 to comply with this requirement.

Please contact Buzz Davis of my staff at 224-4593 if there is any questions regarding the report.

Sincerely,

BEN BRANCEL
Secretary

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

September 10, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint SATHOFF, KAREN E., of Green Bay, as a member of the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Geologists, Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2002.

Sincerely,

TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**.

REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 97-117

Relating to environmental analysis and review procedures for department actions.

Submitted by Department of Commerce.

Report received from Agency, September 9, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, September 16, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-030

Relating to the registration and regulation of architects, landscape architects, professional geologists, professional engineers, designers and land surveyors.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Report received from Agency, September 15, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, September 16, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-075

Relating to credential applications and examination requirements for individuals applying for a license to practice optometry.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Report received from Agency, September 14, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, September 16, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-078

Relating to the requirements for continuing education for insurance intermediaries.

Submitted by Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

Report received from Agency, September 14, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Insurance**, September 16, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-079

Relating to the application process and requirements of preclicensing education for insurance agents.

Submitted by Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

Report received from Agency, September 14, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Insurance**, September 16, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-080

Relating to changes in the requirements for the Wisconsin insurance plan.

Submitted by Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

Report received from Agency, September 14, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Insurance**, September 16, 1998.

The committee on **Health, Family Services and Aging** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-047

Relating to exemption of concession stands at locally sponsored sporting events from being regulated as restaurants.

No action taken.

Carol Roessler
Chairperson

The committee on **State Government Operations and Corrections** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 97-097

Relating to tax rate disparity payments.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-070

Relating to the custody and detention of felony probationers and parolees.

No action taken.

Scott Fitzgerald
Chairperson