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OR
SUBJECT LAB ADIT- HIRSP

JOE LEAN / SECRETARY
(NAME)
DHFS / W. WILSON
(Street Address or Route Number)

(City and Zip Code)

DHFS
(Representing)

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Date: 5/18/99
Bill No. _____
Or
Subject: HIRSP AUDIT
Secretary Keenan
(Name)
1. W. Wilson
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MADISON
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Or
Subject: HIRSP AUDIT
Angela Dombrowicki
(Name)
Bureau Director - Managed Care Program
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Hanson Div. Health Care Financing
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COMMERCE

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Date: MAY 18, 1999

Bill No. _____

Or
Subject: LAB AUDIT REPORT/HIRSP

BOB WOOD, DANNIE GREGULEY/BILL SMITH
(Name)

(Street Address or Route Number)

(City & Zip Code)

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS, HIRSP BOARD
(Representing)

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Bill No. 5154

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Subject _____

John Alberts
(Name)

W 285 COSTY
(Street Address or Route Number)

Oconomowoc, WI
(City & Zip Code)

Commerce
(Representing)

Available to Answer Questions.

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Angele Dombrowicki
(Name)

Bureau Director - Managed Care Programs
(Street Address or Route Number)

House Div. Health Care Financing
(City & Zip Code)

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HIRSP

- Secretary Lekan, Angie?

Need for Medicaid cost controls, legis.
put in BPR so program is not
completely Medicaid funded
increases in customer service reps

- Bob Wood, WPS

MONTHLY reports on data (financial)
EXCESS premiums collected b/c of not

Special Ed

KNOWING what costs will be
Need for fixed dollar contract

• Jamesville ^{School} ~~Special~~ Dist.

• Paula, Shawno

• David Monroe

• DPI

• Madison School Dist.

Rossmiller, Dan

From: Allsen, Diann
Sent: Monday, December 04, 2000 1:49 PM
To: Rossmiller, Dan
Subject: List of suggested invitees for Audit Hearing on Thursday

Dan,

Jan asked me to forward this list to you. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.



Invitees for HIRSP
Hearing.doc...

Diann Allsen
Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau
22 E. Mifflin Street. Ste 500
Madison, WI 53703-3233
diann.allsen@legis.state.wi.us
(608)259-9831

00-13: An Audit of Health Insurance Risk-Sharing Plan
Suggested Hearing Invitees

Secretary Joe Leean
Department of Health and Family Services
1 West Wilson Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

Bill Felsing
HIRSP Board of Governors
10701 West Research Dr., P.O. Box 26649
Milwaukee, WI 53226-0649

Claire Johnson
HIRSP Board of Governors
2503 N. Hillcrest Pkwy.
Altoona, WI 54720

Robert Wood
HIRSP Board of Governors
600 Hamilton Street
Stoughton, WI 53589

Jennifer Hockin
HIRSP Board of Governors
3913 Pine Siskin Lane
Wausau, WI 54401

Richard A. Leer, M.D.
HIRSP Board of Governors
1000 N. Oak Ave.
Marshfield, WI 54449

George Quinn
HIRSP Board of Governors
5721 Odana Rd.
Madison, WI 53719

Thomas Fuss
HIRSP Board of Governors
309 W. Washington Avenue
Madison, WI 53703

Dianne Greenley
HIRSP Board of Governors
16 N. Carroll St., Suite 400
Madison, WI 53703

James Cobb
HIRSP Board of Governors
DHFS, Bureau of Health Care Financing
1 West Wilson Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

Bill Smith
Board of Governors
10 E. Doty Street, Suite 201
Madison, WI 53703

Eileen Mallow
Office of the Commissioner of Insurance
121 East Wilson Street
Madison, WI 53703

**HEALTH INSURANCE
RISK-SHARING PLAN**

Legislative Audit Bureau
December 2000

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HIRSP Background

- ◆ Provides major medical insurance for those who cannot obtain private coverage
- ◆ DHFS oversees the Plan
- ◆ GPR funding of \$17.9 million in the 1997-99 biennium and \$23.4 million in the 1999-2001 biennium
- ◆ Over 7,900 policyholders enrolled

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Improved Finances

- ◆ Made progress in reconciling funding levels with statutory requirements
- ◆ Clean auditor's opinion
- ◆ Financial position has improved with \$6.6 million net income during FY 1998-99

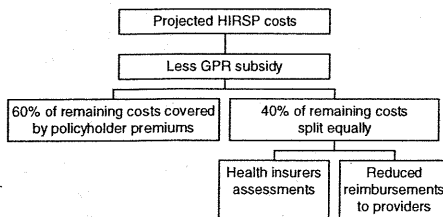
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Overpayment of Drug Claims

- ◆ Drug claims represent approximately 45 % of total claim costs
- ◆ Insufficient controls to ensure proper payment
- ◆ HIRSP overpaid drug claims by an estimated \$3.7 million
- ◆ DHFS is taking steps to recover overpayments, reinstate pricing controls, and increase pharmaceutical providers' contributions

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Program Funding



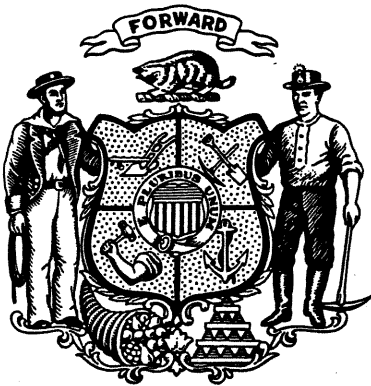
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Funding Issues

- ◆ HIRSP currently funds on a cash-basis versus full-cost basis
- ◆ Policyholders contributed 71% versus 60% of costs during FY 1998-99 based on DHFS' cash-based approach
- ◆ Accumulated excess policyholder premiums of \$5.9 million as of 12/31/99

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or

SUBJECT Special Needs
Adoption Network

Colleen Ellingson
(NAME) Special Needs
Adoption Network

(Street Address or Route Number)

1126 S 70th St
Milwaukee 53204

City and Zip Code)

Representing)

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BILL NO. _____

or

SUBJECT Special Needs
Adoption

Susan A Dreyfus
(NAME)

1 W Wilson
(Street Address or Route Number)

Madison
(City and Zip Code)

Dept of Health & Family
(Representing) Services

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WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE AUDIT BUREAU AUDIT SUMMARY

Report 00-3

March 2000

SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTION PROGRAM

The Department of Health and Family Services arranges adoptions for children who have special needs because of disability, age, ethnicity, or other factors that are believed to make placement difficult. A child typically enters the program from county-run foster care when a county social worker concludes it is not in the best interests of the child to be returned to the parent or guardian. Excluding Milwaukee County, which has a separate program, the Department placed 415 children with special needs in adoptive homes in 1998. Annual administrative costs for the program are approximately \$1.7 million in general purpose revenue.

The number of children entering the program is expected to grow significantly as a result of the federal Adoption and Safe Families Act, which encourages more timely adoptions of children in foster homes. Caseloads will also increase when Milwaukee County's program is fully integrated with the State's Special Needs Adoption program in January 2001.

Social Worker Productivity Has Improved Since 1994

Approximately 25.5 full-time equivalent social workers, five regional supervisors, and central staff in Madison provide special needs adoption services. Since our 1994 review (report 94-9), overall staff productivity has increased. In 1994, each social worker in the Department placed 10.7 children annually; by 1998, annual productivity had increased to 17.7 placements per social worker. Total placements during this period increased 52.0 percent, from 273 to 415.

More Families Are Needed For Eligible Children

In June 1999, 91 eligible children were waiting in foster care for adoptive placements; 41 eligible families were also waiting. Some children wait significantly longer than others for adoptive placement. In June 1999, children in the State's northern region had been waiting an average of 3.8 months for placement; in contrast, children in the southeastern region had been waiting an average of 16.2 months.

We found a number of issues that have hampered the Department's overall performance in administering the program, including inconsistent treatment of families during the adoption screening process, unequal length of waiting time among families during the assessment process, and the absence of uniform scoring standards in decisions of whether to allow families to adopt. During the course of our audit, the Department changed its approach to screening families, and it plans to develop a pool of qualified, available families to reduce the time children wait for placement. The Department has also recently funded an extensive media campaign to publicize the need for both adoptive and foster families statewide.

Communication With Prospective Families Could Be Improved

We received responses from 163 families to a survey we conducted on their experiences with the program. The majority of the respondents to our survey reported satisfaction with the services provided. However, 33.1 percent of respondents were dissatisfied with the frequency of social worker contact. Our survey responses and our review of supervisory oversight of social worker staff in the Department indicate families can have significantly different program experiences depending on where they live and the staff person to whom they are assigned. To improve communication, we have recommended the Department establish timeliness standards for social workers to follow in responding to inquiries from families.

Federal Adoption Incentive Payments Have Not Been Fully Captured

The federal government has recently begun to provide incentive payments for states to increase the number of adoptions. However, we found that the Department failed to collect an estimated \$332,000 in available federal incentive payments for federal fiscal year 1997-98 because of reporting errors. The Department has now corrected the errors, which may result in Wisconsin recouping some of its losses when future incentive payments are made. In addition to the incentive payments, in April 1999, the Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance approved the use of \$697,000 in federal revenues to fund additional project positions in the Department and contracts with outside agencies for adoption services. At the time the funding was approved, it was estimated that these funds would provide the Department with additional capacity sufficient to increase placements by an additional 145 children over the number placed the previous year. However, the Department's use of these funds has been delayed, and it is unclear whether the net increase of an additional 145 placements will be realized.

[full report, PDF file \(2393KB\)](#) This file requires [Adobe Acrobat](#)

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SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTION PROGRAM

Legislative Audit Bureau

May 2000

Children With Special Needs

- ◆ Typically referred from foster care
- ◆ Considered to have special needs due to disability, age, ethnicity, or other factors that make placement difficult

1998 Program Activity

- ◆ 610 children referred to the program
(excluding Milwaukee County)
- ◆ 415 children placed
- ◆ \$1.7 million in general purpose revenue for
administration
- ◆ 191 children placed in Milwaukee County

Questions that Prompted the Evaluation

- ◆ DHFS implementation of recommendations made in 1994 audit
- ◆ Different requirements for foster care and adoptive care
- ◆ Too much social worker discretion and authority in deciding which families are allowed to adopt

Staff Productivity

	<u>1994</u>	<u>1998</u>
Home studies per social worker	7.1	11.5
Placements per social worker	10.7	17.7
Total Placements	273	415

Foster Care vs Adoptive Care Requirements

- ◆ Most requirements are identical
- ◆ Adoptive Care has additional requirements:
 - adequate income for future
 - married for at least one year, or single
 - assessment for positive family functioning

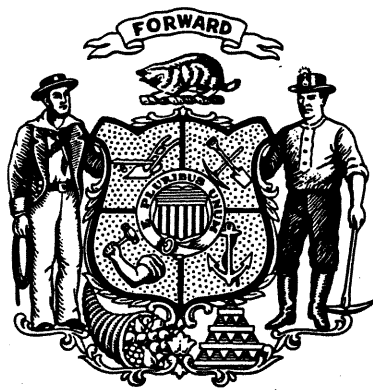
Family Screening and Assessment

- ◆ Screening scores applied inconsistently
- ◆ Inadequate communication with some families
- ◆ No central review of social worker decisions to determine regional differences in placement

Funding for Increasing Placements

- ◆ DHFS failed to collect \$332,000 in incentive funding
- ◆ Joint Finance Committee approved \$697,000 for additional placements
- ◆ Report recommended on the use of additional funding

END



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Senator Gary R. George
118 South, State Capitol
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Madison, WI 53707
Phone: 608-266-2500



Representative Carol Kelso
16 West, State Capitol
P.O. Box 8952
Madison, WI 53708
Phone: 608-266-0485

JOINT COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Joint Committee on Audit To Hold Hearing on Kinship Care and Charter Schools Audits

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 9, 1999

MADISON - State Senator Gary R. George (D-Milwaukee) and State Representative Kelso (R-Green Bay) announced today that the Legislature's Joint Committee on Audit will hold a public hearing on the Kinship Care and Charter Schools audits on February 12 at 10am at the Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 203R.

The non-partisan Legislative Audit Bureau recently completed its review of these two programs. The public hearing is designed to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the findings of the audit report specifically and the programs generally.

"This hearing will help to shed more light on the way charter schools operate, especially in the Milwaukee area, and the concerns raised by the recent audit regarding consistency in the management of Kinship care," stated Senator George.

"I look forward to the opportunity for citizens to voice their views and offer recommendations. Public hearings offer legislators an invaluable tool of measuring the impact of state programs." Representative Kelso said.

Senator George ended by making note that any questions regarding the findings of the audit done on the charter school program and kinship care may be directed to the Legislative Audit Bureau at (608) 266-2818. Copies of the audits themselves are also available via the Audit Bureau's web site at www.legis.state.wi.us/lab.



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STATE AUDITOR

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(608) 266-2818
FAX (608) 267-0410

February 9, 1999

Senator Gary R. George and
Representative Carol Kelso, Co-chairpersons
Joint Legislative Audit Committee
State Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin 53702

Dear Senator George and Representative Kelso:

I have prepared a list of individuals that you may wish to consider inviting to the Joint Legislative Audit Committee meeting scheduled for February 12, 1999, in Milwaukee. Because hearings have been scheduled for audit reports of both the Charter School Program and Kinship Care, I have included a separate list of invitees for both.

Because of the short notice that individuals invited to the hearing will receive, I recommend that invitations be issued via telephone calls. I have included the telephone numbers of relevant individuals on the attachments.

I hope you find this information helpful. Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Janice Mueller
State Auditor

JM/ao

Attachments

Charter School Program

John T. Benson, State Superintendent
Department of Public Instruction
125 South Webster Street
608/266-1771

Dr. Howard Fuller
Institute for the Transformation of Learning
Schroeder Health Complex, 146
P.O. Box 1881
Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881
414/288-5775

Ms. Terri McCormick, Executive Director
Wisconsin Charter School Association
2700 W. College Avenue; Suite 297
Appleton, WI 54913
920/830-3560

Mr. David Riemer, Director
Department of Administration
City of Milwaukee
200 East Wells Street, Room 606
Milwaukee, WI 53202-3567
414/286-3828

Ms. Cindy Zautcke, Coordinator
Wisconsin Charter School Resource Center
Schroeder Complex
P.O. Box 1881
Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881
414/288-1540

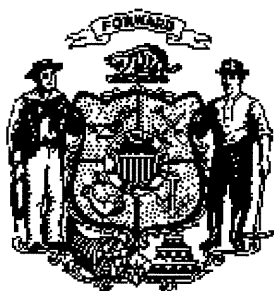
Mr. Senn Brown, Director of Legislative Services
Wisconsin Association of School Boards
122 West Washington Avenue
Madison, WI 53703
608/257-2622

Kinship Care

Joseph Leean, Secretary
Department of Health and Family Services
1 West Wilson Street
608/266-9622

Ms. Susan Dreyfus, Administrator
Department of Health and Family Services
Division of Children and Family Services
1 West Wilson Street
608/267-3905

Ms. Denise Revels, Director
Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare
Milwaukee County
414/220-7029



Office of Senator
GARY R. GEORGE

TO: Joint Legislative Audit Committee Members
FROM: Senator Gary R. George
DATE: February 10, 1999
RE: Friday's Hearing

The Joint Audit Committee Hearing will be held Friday, February 12 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 203R of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

The following are some brief directions to the courthouse. I have also attached a map of downtown Milwaukee. Please feel free to contact Cathy Lange in my office if you have additional questions.

Directions to Milwaukee County Courthouse

Take I-94 East or I-43 North or South to 794 East

Exit James Lovell Street from 794 East

Follow James Lovell Street North about 3 blocks

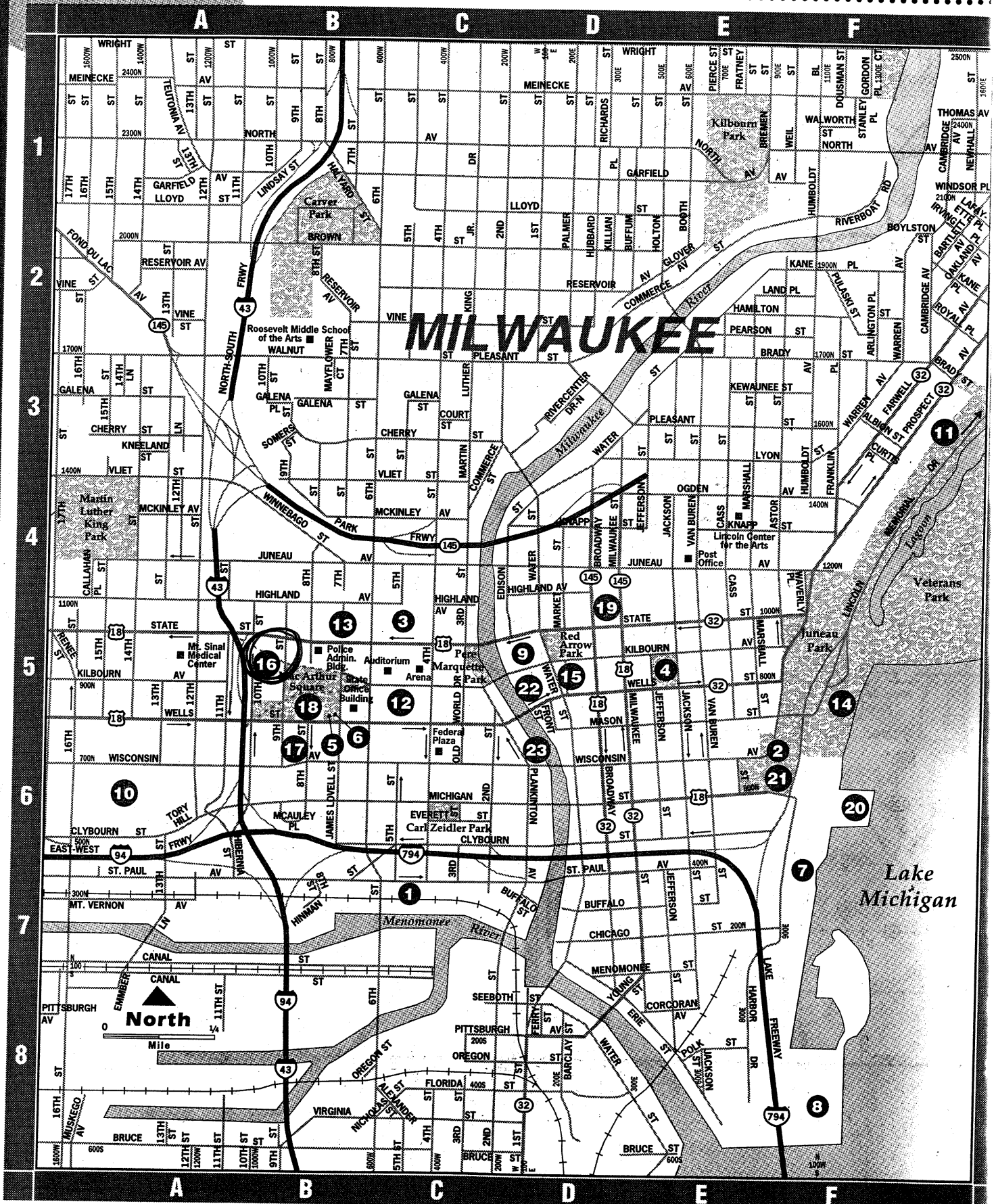
After you cross Wells Street there will be a parking structure on your left.

The Milwaukee County Courthouse is indicated by #16 on the attached map.

Hearing is in Room 203R

Downtown Milwaukee

Maps



Cathy:

Hope your vacation was great!

Some Joint Audit Committee Issues Of Which You Should Be Aware:

- 1) We have all the approvals from the Chief Clerk that we need. Moni helped us out.
- 2) The Assembly messenger staff will not participate in the Milwaukee hearing since GRG is chairing. Paul Kluz has arranged for one Senate messenger and one car to travel to Milwaukee. Car would leave at 7:30 or so from the Capitol. If we need more than one messenger or one car, we would have to contact Paul.
- 3) GRG has approved two draft letters that Jan Mueller prepared for the co-chairs. One is on SWIB the other is on KIDS. We will need to work with Rep. Kelso's office to iron out the details. The best bet is probably to have LAB e-mail us a copy that we could print out on the Jt. Committee letterhead.
- 4) On your desk is a memo from Pam Shannon regarding the PECFA draft. GRG indicated his answers to the questions she raises. He has tried to reach Rep. Kelso about her concerns and probably will have talked by the time you read this.
- 5) Jan Mueller wants GRG and Rep. Kelso to come over and talk with her LAB staff for about 15 minutes—introduce self, answer questions, etc.—as part of some in-service training she's doing. She's thinking of the week of March 1-5. That's a session week and it's right after GRG returns from a long trip so probably March 3-4 or 5 would be better. I'll hand this over to you.
- 6) Jan Mueller called to let us know that she will be releasing a financial audit on WHA-Radio. It's pretty routine, but she knows GRG is interested in ECB related issues.

Lange, Cathy

From: Lange, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 1999 3:58 PM
To: Christianson, Tom
Subject: RE: Hand-outs

I have arranged for a room in the Milwaukee County Courthouse from 10 am until noon on February 12. The address is 901 N. 9th Street in Milwaukee. Our committee room will be 203 R. Shirley is the contact person and her phone # is (414) 278-4281

I have been informed by Paul, the Senate hearing room person, that I need to send a request to the Senate Org. Committee to hold an out of town hearing. I will do that before I leave today.

Will you be able to get the hearing notice out next week? Will you let Jan and Pam know too?

-----Original Message-----

From: Christianson, Tom
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 1999 2:56 PM
To: Lange, Cathy
Subject: RE: Hand-outs

Cathy---Think you mean Feb12th which is a Friday right? Carol just told me feb 12 is ok. Let me know if we should calendar-----have fun in puerta vallarta, don't forget to come back! tom

-----Original Message-----

From: Lange, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 1999 2:26 PM
To: Christianson, Tom
Subject: RE: Hand-outs

Thanks for the info.

Gary spoke with Jan and they talked about a January 12 hearing on kinship and charter schools. I am going to check and see if we can hold it in the courthouse. Would that day work for Rep. Kelso?

I am leaving for my vacation tomorrow morning so I will be out of the office tomorrow and all of next week. If that day works for Rep. Kelso then I will check on getting a room and let you know what I find out before the end of today.

-----Original Message-----

From: Christianson, Tom
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 1999 12:24 PM
To: Lange, Cathy
Subject: RE: Hand-outs

Cathy-I will put together a comprehensive packet with everything tomorrow AM and send the Attorney General's letter up now. The ball is in Leg Council's court and they are already working on some stuff. Both Pam and Skalansky will be in charge of that procedure and will organize meetings etc.....my belief is the Legislation will come out of Leg Council

and they will coordinate with LRB....Leg Council told me yesterday it is their baby and they will keep us apprised of status and requirements for meeting with co-chairs showing them proposed drafts.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lange, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 1999 11:54 AM
To: Christianson, Tom
Subject: Hand-outs

Tom-

Could you send me copies of whatever hand-outs were given out yesterday? I got the one that you sent over yesterday but I haven't seen the Attorney General's letter or any of the other testimony. I don't think Gary took his with him.

Also, what is the process for getting the PECFA legislation drafted? Do we need to submit a request to LRB or does Leg. Council do that?

Thank you.



State Senator
Chuck Chvala
SENATE MAJORITY LEADER

February 10, 1999

The Honorable Gary George
Wisconsin State Senator
Rm. No. 118 South, Capitol
Madison, WI 53706

Dear Senator George:

The Senate Committee on Organization has approved your request for the Senate members of the Joint Committee on Audit to travel to Milwaukee, Wisconsin on February 12, 1999, in order to hold a public hearing.

It is the Committee's understanding that you are seeking reimbursement for all actual and necessary expenses associated with the committee members' attendance at this hearing. It is further understood that you are seeking approval for additional staff support from the Senate Sergeant-at-Arms, if required.

Your request has been approved contingent upon the Senate not being in session. Please let me know if you have any questions.

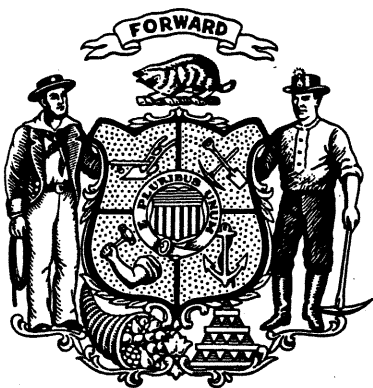
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck Chvala".

CHUCK CHVALA
Chairman
Senate Committee on Organization



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Vote Record

Senate Committee on Audit

PH
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Private Employer Health Care Coverage

Date: 11-11-99
Moved by: Sen. George Seconded by: Rep. Kelen
AB: _____ Clearinghouse Rule: _____
AB: _____ SB: _____ Appointment: _____
AJR: _____ SJR: _____ Other: _____
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Committee Member

Sen. Gary George, Chair
Sen. Judy Robson
Sen. Brian Burke
Sen. Peggy Rosenzweig
Sen. Mary Lazich

<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
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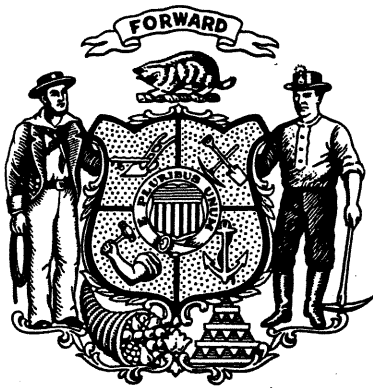
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Had Sen Robson been present she would have voted "Aye"

Motion Carried

Motion Failed

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Vote Record

Senate Committee on Audit

Tobacco Research and Intervention Ctr.

per
1999
(Act. 9)

Date: 11-11-99
Moved by: Sen. George Seconded by: Rep. Keles
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- Confirmation

Committee Member

Sen. Gary George, Chair
Sen. Judy Robson *
Sen. Brian Burke
Sen. Peggy Rosenzweig
Sen. Mary Lazich

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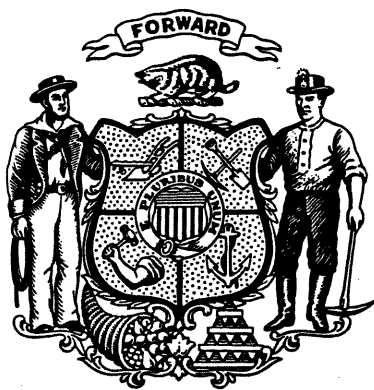
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Motion Carried

Motion Failed

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Vote Record

Senate Committee on Audit

Computer Consultants

Date: 11-11-99
Moved by: Rosenzweig Seconded by: Kelso
AB: _____ Clearinghouse Rule: _____
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Committee Member

Sen. Gary George, Chair
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Sen. Mary Lazich

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*Had ~~Robson~~ been present she would have been present
she would have voted "Aye"*

Motion Carried

Motion Failed



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DATE: November 9, 1999

TO: Senator Gary R. George and
Representative Carol Kelso, Co-chairpersons
Joint Legislative Audit Committee

FROM: Janice Mueller *Janice Mueller*
State Auditor

SUBJECT: Proposed Audit of Use of Private Sector Computer Consultants—Background
Information

At your request, we have gathered some background information the Joint Legislative Audit Committee may find useful in considering a request from Representative Steven Foti for an audit of the State's use of private sector computer consultants. Representative Foti has raised questions about the extent and cost of such contracting.

Private sector computer consultants are generally used when adequate state agency resources are not available. The use of private sector computer consultants can be divided into two categories: project specific, and general consulting and support. Under the project specific category, a firm is engaged to develop a specific project or software system, such as the development of the KIDS computer system used to collect and track child support orders. Under the general consulting and support category, systems consultants or programmers are engaged for specific time periods and may work on various projects, similar to state limited term employees. For example, the Division of Information Technology Services in the Department of Administration, which supplies most state agencies with mainframe computing services, currently has approximately 47.0 contract staff in addition to approximately 108.0 information system staff who are state employees.

Contracts for computer consultants must follow state purchasing guidelines and expenditures are recorded in the state's accounting system. However, agencies are not consistent in how such contracts are coded and total annual expenditures cannot be readily identified. For example, expenditures coded as "data processing services private" in FY 1998-99 totaled \$77,386,700. However, significant expenditures coded under "data processing services state" also included private sector computer consultants. In addition, some agencies may code the contract for consulting services under other categories, such as "professional services." Consequently, actual expenditures for computer consulting services significantly exceed the \$77,386,700 listed under the "data processing services private" category.

Materials provided by Representative Foti also raise questions about rates paid for consulting services. Anecdotal information suggests that rates in some cases may be \$200 per hour, far in excess of hourly salaries paid to state information systems staff and in excess of hourly rates listed in the state purchasing bulletin for computer services. Other anecdotal information suggests some state information systems staff leave state service and are then re-employed as consultants by their original agencies, but at significantly higher salaries. While rates paid to consultants are included in contracts, these data are not centrally compiled to provide a comprehensive overview of the ranges of rates paid.

An audit of the State's use of private sector computer consultants could include:

- a comprehensive review of expenditures for computer consulting services;
- a comprehensive review of the number and type of vendors of computer services;
- a review of contracts at state agencies to determine hourly rates paid; and
- a review of available information to determine the extent to which state information systems staff leave state service and are then re-employed as private sector consultants.

If you have any additional questions regarding this audit request, please contact me.

JM/DB/bm

cc: Senator Judith Robson
Senator Brian Burke
Senator Peggy Rosenzweig
Senator Mary Lazich

Representative Steve Nass
Representative John Gard
Representative Robert Ziegelbauer
Representative David Cullen

Representative Steven Foti

George Lightbourn, Acting Secretary
Department of Administration

Assembly Hearing Slip

(Please print plainly)

Date: 11-11-99

Bill No. _____

Of: Asst. Govt.

Subject: Computer Controls

Michael Heifetz
(Name)

215 West

(Street Address or Route Number)

(City & ZIP Code)

Rep. Felt

(Representing)

Speaking *in favor*:

Speaking *against*:

Registering *in favor*:

Registering *against*:

Speaking for *information only*:

Neither for nor *against*:

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State Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

Assembly Hearing Slip

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Date: 11-11-99

Bill No. _____

Of: _____

Subject: PATRICK LITTON, EXEC. DIR.

SWIB
(Name)

(Street Address or Route Number)

(City & ZIP Code)

(Representing)

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Date: 11-11-99

Bill No. _____

Of: DVR

Subject _____

Tom Dixon

(Name)

Div Administrator, DVR

(Street Address or Route Number)

Dept. of Workforce Development

(City & ZIP Code)

(Representing)

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Of: _____

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JOHN PETERSON, CHAIR

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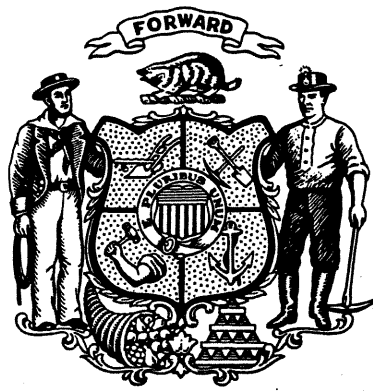
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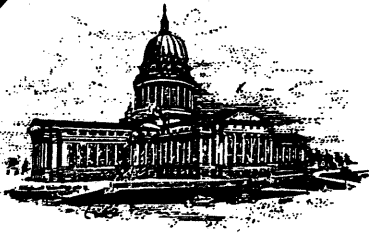
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August 23, 2000

Senator Gary George
Co-Chair, Committee on Audit
118 South State Capitol
Madison, WI 53707

Representative Carol Kelso
Co-Chair, Committee on Audit
16 West State Capitol
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Senator George and Representative Kelso:

We would like to formally request the Legislative Audit Bureau to conduct an audit of the TEACH Board. We believe TEACH is a valuable program for Wisconsin schools, therefore we feel it is important to find out if the program is meeting the goals it was set out to accomplish.

More specifically, we would like the Audit Bureau to evaluate the effectiveness of the following TEACH Board charges:

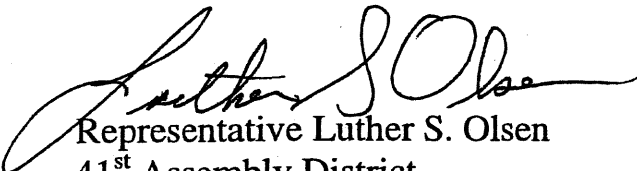
- Measure the efficiency and cost effectiveness of the installation and maintenance of educational technology
- Review and evaluate the methods of providing preservice and in-service educational technology training for teachers
- Examine the success of the cooperative purchasing agreements that school districts and CESAs use for educational training
- Assess the effectiveness of educational technology courses used by employees licensed by the Department of Public Instruction, UW System and WTCS

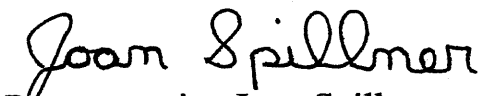
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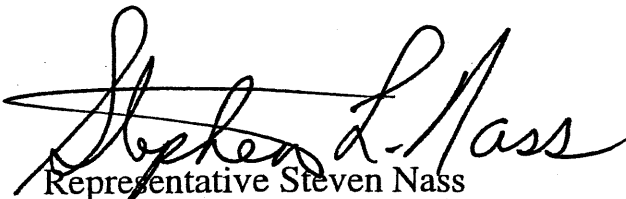
- Evaluate the effectiveness of telecommunications access for school districts, private schools, CESAs, technical college districts, private colleges and public library boards
- Study the efficiency of the purchasing process for educational technology materials, supplies, equipment and contractual services

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our offices. Again, thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,


Representative Luther S. Olsen
41st Assembly District


Representative Joan Spillner
42nd Assembly District


Representative Stephen Nass
31st Assembly District

cc: Jan Mueller, Director
Members of Joint Committee on Audit

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DATE: August 28, 2000

TO: Senator Gary R. George and
Representative Carol Kelso, Co-chairpersons
Joint Legislative Audit Committee

FROM: Janice Mueller *Janice Mueller*
State Auditor

SUBJECT: Proposed Audit of the Technology for Educational Achievement in Wisconsin
Board (TEACH)—Background Information

At your request, we have gathered some background information the Joint Legislative Audit Committee may find useful in considering a request from Representative Nass, Representative Olsen, and Representative Spillner to audit the TEACH Board. The request calls for an evaluation of the effectiveness of the TEACH Board in meeting its statutory directives related to the deployment of educational technology, the expansion of telecommunications access in educational institutions, and the preparation of educational professionals in the use of these electronic resources.

The TEACH Board was created in the 1997-99 Biennial Budget, and its membership consists of the superintendent of public instruction and the secretary of the Department of Administration, a member of the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents, a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, a member of the Educational Communications Board, and four public members appointed by the Governor. The Board operates four programs, with a budget of \$115 million for the 1999-01 biennium, and is authorized to employ 8.0 full time equivalent (FTE) staff. These programs, by statutory design, require cooperative efforts between the TEACH Board and the other educational agencies in the State, the Department of Administration, and the Public Service Commission.

The Board's programs include two grant programs, a loan program, and subsidized telecommunications access. The Educational Technology Block Grants program supports purchases of educational technology by school districts. These grants are distributed according to a formula. The Educational Technology Training and Assistance Grants program supports training in the use of educational technology by teachers and library staff, and is awarded to Cooperative Educational Service Agencies and consortia that may include libraries. The Board's wiring loan program supports loans to public school districts and public libraries to upgrade electrical wiring and install and upgrade computer network wiring. The state may contract debt not to exceed \$110 million for these loans. The Educational Telecommunications Access program supports new data lines and video links for statutorily-identified educational institutions. Funding for this program, scheduled to end July 1, 2002, is provided by the Universal Service Fund.

The TEACH Board is implementing performance-based budgeting for each of the four programs it operates, as well as for the educational technology procurement services it manages within the Department of Administration. Each of the program managers is completing the development of output measures—such as the number of schools with internet access, the number of schools that meet TEACH wiring standards, and the number of teachers at varying skill levels with regard to educational technology—to include in the agency's 2001-03 biennial budget request. In addition, the Board is beginning to monitor student performance in order to assess the effect of the State's investments in educational technology. These outcome measures include, for example, test scores and truancy rates, and will be analyzed over the course of several years.

An audit of TEACH could include:

- an evaluation of the management of its several funding programs;
- a review of its performance-based budgeting outcomes; and
- an analysis of strategies employed by other states both to advance and to assess the use of educational technologies in educational agencies.

If you have any additional questions regarding this request, please contact me.

JM/KW/bm

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Doris J. Hanson, Executive Director
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