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

COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Revisor of Statutes Bureau
Madison

DATE: November 1, 2002
TO: Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Assistant Chief Clerk

Donald J. Schneider
Senate Chief Clerk
FROM: Gary L. Poulson
Deputy Revisor of Statutes
SUBJECT: Rules published in the October 31, 2002,
Wisconsin Administrative [Register, No. 562](#).

The following rules have been published:

Clearinghouse Rule 01-076	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 01-133	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-012	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-019	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-025	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-033	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-042	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-043	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-047	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-068	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-070	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-079	effective	11-1-2002
Clearinghouse Rule 02-105	effective	11-1-2002

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
TEACH Wisconsin
Madison

September 24, 2002

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

I am writing to report to you the activities of the TEACH Wisconsin Board as required by Wis. Stats. sec. 44.71 (2)(f). The TEACH Board is proud of its accomplishments since its last biennial report in October of 2000.

TEACH is achieving, and in some cases, surpassing its original goals for building a statewide educational technology infrastructure. We have replaced outdated wiring, spurred ubiquitous access to the Internet, and made personal computing tools commonplace, and trained teachers and library staff. Attached is a summary that describes each of the TEACH programs that have made these advances possible as well as auxiliary TEACH activities that promote curriculum integration of technology, an essential factor in student achievement and job readiness.

The Wisconsin Education Network Collaboration Committee, under the leadership of TEACH, has just completed a comprehensive analysis of PK-20 educational technology needs and will issue its findings and recommendations for a technology migration plan shortly.

With your continued support, the TEACH Wisconsin Board looks forward to meeting the 21st century educational technology needs of Wisconsin Citizens.

Sincerely,
RAY ALLEN
Executive Director

Referred to committee on **Education**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

September 30, 2002

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report is transmitted as required by s. 20.002(11)(f), Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172(3), Wisconsin Statutes), and confirms that the Department of Administration has found it necessary to exercise the "temporary reallocation of balances" authority provided by this section in order to meet payment responsibilities and cover resulting negative cash balances during the month of August 2002.

On August 1, 2002, the **General Fund** cash balance closed at a monthly low balance of negative \$682.2 million. The negative balance continued through August 31, 2002, when

the balance closed at a negative \$151.6 million. The negative balance was due to the overall budget shortfall, in combination with the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On August 1, 2002, the **Common School Income Fund** cash balance closed at a monthly low balance of negative \$0.2 million. This negative balance continued until August 5, 2002, when the balance reached a positive \$1.2 million. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On August 15, 2002, the **Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund** cash balance closed at a monthly low balance of negative \$4 thousand. This negative balance continued until August 27, 2002, when the balance reached a positive \$11 thousand. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

The General Fund, the Common School Income Fund, and the Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund negative cash balances were not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitation and did not exceed the balances of the funds available for interfund borrowing.

The distribution of interest earnings to investment pool participants is based on the average daily balance in the pool and each fund's share. Therefore, the monthly calculation by the State Controller's Office will automatically reflect the use of these temporary reallocations of balance authority, and as a result, the funds requiring the use of the authority will effectively bear the interest cost.

Sincerely,
GEORGE LIGHTBOURN
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Ways and Means**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

October 25, 2002

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report is transmitted as required by s. 20.002(11)(f), Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172(3), Wisconsin Statutes), and confirms that the Department of Administration has found it necessary to exercise the "temporary reallocation of balances" authority provided by this section in order to meet payment responsibilities and cover resulting negative cash balances during the month of September 2002.

On September 1, 2002, the **General Fund** cash balance was negative \$151.6 million. The negative balance continued until September 13, 2002, when the balance closed at a positive \$74.5 million. On September 16, 2002, the **General Fund** cash balance again fell negative, and closed at a

monthly low balance of negative \$292.6 million. The negative balance continued until September 20, 2002, when the balance closed at a positive \$24.4 million. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

The General Fund's negative cash balances were not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitation and did not exceed the balances of the funds available for interfund borrowing.

The distribution of interest earnings to investment pool participants is based on the average daily balance in the pool and each fund's share. Therefore, the monthly calculation by the State Controller's Office will automatically reflect the use of these temporary reallocations of balance authority, and as a result, the funds requiring the use of the authority will effectively bear the interest cost.

Sincerely,
GEORGE LIGHTBOURN
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Ways and Means**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Revenue
Madison

October 29, 2002

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

In accordance with section 71.55 (10)(e), Wis. Stats. (1999-00), I am enclosing copies of the Department of Revenue reports on distribution of enrollment cards for the Wisconsin State Medical Society "Partnercare" program.

Sincerely,
RICHARD G. CHANDLER
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Aging and Long-Term Care**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

October 30, 2002

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Included with this correspondence, I am submitting the report of the Department of Administration, Division of Gaming (Gaming), for the first quarter of fiscal year 2003 (July 1, 2002 through September 30, 2002). As required by s. 562.02 (1)(g), Wis. Stats., the attached materials contain pari-mutuel wagering and racing statistical information, as well as the revenues for the program areas of Racing, Charitable Gaming, Bingo and Indian Gaming.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact Rachel Meek at (608) 270-2535.

Sincerely,
F. SCOTT SCEPANIAK
Administrator

Referred to committee on **State Affairs**.

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

October 15, 2002

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report presents statements of fund Condition and operations (budgetary basis) of the State of Wisconsin for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002. This satisfies the requirements of sec. 16.40 (3), Wisconsin Statutes. Displayed are major sources of revenues and major categories of expenditures for the General Fund and other funds compared to the prior year.

The General Fund has an undesignated balance of \$53.8 million as of the end of the fiscal year. This is \$181.3 million lower than the \$235.1 million estimate that was projected in the final Chapter 20 fund condition statement. The lower balance was the result of lower than expected tax revenues.

General-purpose revenue taxes were \$10.020 billion compared to \$ 10.063 billion in the prior year, a decrease of

\$43 million or 0.4 percent. This decrease is the result of reductions in income tax rates and other changes to state tax laws made in 1999 Wisconsin Act 9 combined with a general slowdown in the economy. General-purpose revenue expenditures, excluding fund transfers, were \$11.259 billion compared to \$11.078 billion in the prior year, an increase of \$181.0 million or 1.6 percent.

General-purpose revenue spending increases in fiscal year 2002 were largely driven by increases in three areas: School Aids increased by \$139.6 million (3.2 percent), Medical Assistance increased by \$77.3 million (7.8 percent), and Corrections increased by \$14.9 million (1.9 percent) overall.

In fiscal year 2002, the State of Wisconsin continued to devote the major share of state tax collections to assistance to local school districts, municipalities and counties. Local assistance accounted for 60.3 percent of total general purpose revenue spending. Aid payments to individuals and organizations represented 16.8 percent of total general purpose revenue expenditures. The University of Wisconsin accounted for 8.6 percent of total general purpose revenue spending and state operations spending for all other state agencies accounted for 14.3 percent of the total.

The State of Wisconsin expects to publish its comprehensive annual financial report in December of 2002. The report will be prepared under generally accepted accounting principles.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE LIGHTBOURN
Secretary

WILLIAM J. RAFTERY, CPA
State Controller