



STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

Ninety-Seventh Regular Session

4:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, March 15, 2005

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber located in the State Capitol.

Representative Ballweg in the chair.

The Assembly dispensed with the call of the roll.

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 87** offered by Representative Krawczyk.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 88** offered by Representative Wood.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 98** offered by Representative Petrowski.

COMMUNICATIONS

March 8, 2005

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
208 Risser Justice Center
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Mr. Fuller:

Due to illness in my family, I will not be present for the Assembly Session on Thursday, March 10, 2005.

Representative Vrakas' office suggested I send a letter stating how I would have voted had I been present. I would like to be registered that I would have voted "Aye" to all of the bills scheduled for floor that day (Assembly Joint Resolution 2, Assembly Joint Resolution 6, Assembly Joint Resolution 18, Assembly Joint Resolution 21, Assembly Bill 18, Assembly Bill 40 and Senate Bill 27).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
JOHN F. TOWNSEND
52nd Assembly District

March 9, 2005

Patrick E. Fuller, Assembly Chief Clerk
17 W. Main St., Room 208
P.O. Box 8952
Madison, WI 53708-8952

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

I would like to request that my name be added as a co-sponsor to the following Assembly Bill:
Assembly Bill 177.

Thank you for your assistance. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
RON BROWN
State Senator
31st District

March 10, 2005

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
208 Risser Justice Center

Dear Patrick:

Please remove my name as a co-sponsor of Assembly Bill 15. Thank you.

Sincerely,
MARK HONADEL
State Representative

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Urban Open Space Foundation
Madison

February 26, 2005

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

We have had a very successful year here at the Urban Open Space Foundation, and I would again like to share with you our accomplishments.

Included herein you will find some materials that make a helpful reference if the need would arise for you to be an expert on the urban land conservation grant, Sec. 23.0957.

It is my hope that you will find a home for these materials in your files, and that they would be available to you should a future need arise. Thank you for your kind attention to our efforts.

Warmest personal regards,
HEATHER MANN
Executive Director

Referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Corrections
Madison

February 28, 2005

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

As required under Section [301.03 \(6r\)](#) of Wisconsin State Statutes, I am submitting information relative to the number of prisoners that the Department of Corrections considers violent and the total number of prisoners.

On November 30, 2004, the Department had 22,957 adult inmates assigned to Type "1" prisons in state and in contract facilities out of state. Out of 22,957 inmates, 13,979 or 65.0 percent had violent offenses.

Sincerely,
MATTHEW J. FRANK
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Corrections and the Courts**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Health and Family Services
Madison

March 1, 2005

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The 1983-85 budget act, [1983 Wisconsin Act 27](#), created the Community Integration Program (CIP) for Residents of State Centers under s. [46.275](#). The intent of this program "is to relocate persons from the state centers for the developmentally disabled into appropriate community settings with the assistance of home and community-based services and with continuity of care. The intent of the program is also to minimize its impact on state employees through redeployment of employees into vacant positions." S. [46.275\(5m\)](#) requires the Department to submit a report to the Joint Committee on Finance and to the Chief Clerk of each house of the Legislature describing the program's impact during the preceding calendar year on state employees, including the Department's efforts to redeploy employees into vacant positions and the number of employees laid off

For the period of January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004, 73 center residents were placed into the community. In state fiscal year 2004, the center budgets were reduced by \$1,423,500 and 27.49 FTE as a result of CIP placements. For the period July 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, sufficient reductions in the fiscal year 2005 operating budget will be made to reflect reductions for CIP placements.

The Department has continued the significant downsizing of Northern Wisconsin Center (NWC). A total of 20 layoffs under the CIP 1A program occurred in the period January 1-December 31, 2004, all at NWC due to the downsizing effort. All other reductions were absorbed through attrition of employees.

Sincerely,
HELENE NELSON
Secretary

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

State of Wisconsin
Department of Regulation and Licensing
Madison

March 3, 2005

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

Enclosed please find the State of Wisconsin Controlled Substances Board's annual report for 2004. The Controlled Substances Board is required to submit this report to you annually, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § [961.36 \(3\)](#). It includes findings with respect to the Board's effect on the distribution and abuse of controlled substances, including recommendations for improving control and prevention of the diversion of controlled substances.

Sincerely,
TOM RYAN
Director, Bureau of Health Professions

Referred to committee on **Criminal Justice and Homeland Security**.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Kerkman moved that the Assembly stand adjourned until 11:00 A.M. tomorrow.

The question was: Shall the Assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The Assembly stood adjourned.

4:01 P.M.