

Assembly Journal

Ninety-Eighth Regular Session

THURSDAY, November 29, 2007

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

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 2 to **Assembly Bill 144** offered by Representative Seidel.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 144** offered by Representative Seidel.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 308** offered by Representative Bies.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 350** offered by committee on **Urban and Local Affairs**.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 410** offered by committee on **State Affairs**.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 477** offered by Representative Wasserman.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 580** offered by Representative Gottlieb.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Joint Resolution 77

Relating to: the life and public service of Richard B. Nowakowski.

By Representatives Kessler and Zepnick.

To committee on Rules.

Assembly Bill 591

Relating to: suspending the operating privilege of an underage person who operates a vehicle while having an intoxicant in a vehicle (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Transportation).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 592

Relating to: the authorization of the secretary of transportation or his or her designee to execute conveyances, contracts, and agreements in the name of the Department of Transportation (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Transportation).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on Transportation.

Assembly Bill 593

Relating to: the issuance of motor vehicle occupational licenses after certain operating privilege suspensions (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Transportation).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on Transportation.

Assembly Bill 594

Relating to: operation of unregistered motor vehicles on highways (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Transportation).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 595

Relating to: certificates of title for vehicles that have been damaged by hail (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Transportation).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 596

Relating to: a health care program for certain veterans, providing an exemption from emergency rule-making procedures, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Hilgenberg, Staskunas, Sinicki, A. Ott, Gronemus, Boyle, Sheridan, Richards, Black, Hixson, Shilling, Berceau, Hebl, Nelson, Soletski, Garthwaite, Seidel, Molepske, Kreuser, Pope–Roberts, Mason, Hraychuck, Vruwink, Jorgensen and Parisi; cosponsored by Senators Sullivan, Breske, Schultz, Taylor and Hansen.

To committee on Health and Healthcare Reform.

Assembly Bill 597

Relating to: interfering with a signal transmitted by a global positioning system and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Staskunas, Ziegelbauer, Musser, Jeskewitz, Albers, Turner, Sheridan, Ballweg, A. Ott, Kleefisch, Kaufert, Hahn, Soletski, Petrowski and Zepnick;

cosponsored by Senators Plale, Lehman, Cowles, Roessler, Lazich, Olsen and Taylor.

To committee on Criminal Justice.

Assembly Bill 598

Relating to: allocating early stage seed and angel investment credits.

By Representatives Strachota, Kerkman, Townsend, Vos, Kaufert, LeMahieu, Albers, Hahn and Nass; cosponsored by Senators Kanavas, Darling, Roessler, Olsen and Plale.

To committee on Jobs and The Economy.

Assembly Bill 599

Relating to: the regulation, preservation, and restoration of historic buildings; the supplement to the federal historic rehabilitation tax credit and the state historic rehabilitation tax credit; requiring the certification of downtowns; promoting certain downtown areas in this state; highway projects involving business and downtown areas; and granting rule—making authority; and making appropriations.

By Representatives Shilling, Hintz, Sheridan, Vruwink, Richards, Gunderson, Hilgenberg, Soletski, Fields, Vos, Molepske, Zepnick, Pope–Roberts, Jorgensen, Seidel, Boyle, Hixson, Sinicki and Albers; cosponsored by Senators Lassa, Darling, Erpenbach, Harsdorf, Lehman, Plale, Risser, Roessler, Schultz and Vinehout.

To committee on Rural Affairs.

Assembly Bill 600

Relating to: membership on the State Trails Council.

By Representatives Mursau, Montgomery, Kleefisch, LeMahieu and Townsend; cosponsored by Senators Breske, Grothman and Lazich.

To committee on Rural Economic Development.

Assembly Bill 601

Relating to: creating a nonrefundable individual income tax credit for individuals who earn an associate's or bachelor's degree.

By Representatives Hines, Albers, Bies, Gunderson, Musser and A. Ott; cosponsored by Senators Leibham and Schultz.

To committee on Jobs and The Economy.

Assembly Bill 602

Relating to: authorizing hunting of certain game with a crossbow by nonresidents who have attained the age of 65 years.

By Representatives Hubler, Hines, Ziegelbauer, Jeskewitz, Hahn, Boyle, Albers, Owens, Suder, Bies, Petrowski and Mursau; cosponsored by Senators Lehman, Schultz, Grothman and Breske.

To committee on Natural Resources.

Assembly Bill 603

Relating to: use of a facsimile firearm and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Montgomery, Van Roy, Zepnick, Berceau, Musser, Owens, Nerison, Hraychuck, A. Ott, Cullen and Soletski; cosponsored by Senators Kapanke, Hansen, Olsen, Roessler and Schultz.

To committee on **Criminal Justice**.

Assembly Bill 604

Relating to: arbitration in situations involving cable and satellite television system operators and creators of video programming.

By Representatives Rhoades, Suder, Soletski, Van Roy, Tauchen, M. Williams, Kerkman, Hubler, Seidel, Sheridan, Sinicki, Nelson, Kessler, Jeskewitz, Bies, Murtha and Musser; cosponsored by Senators Hansen, Kanavas, Decker, Breske, Roessler, Lassa, Plale and Risser.

To committee on Energy and Utilities.

Assembly Bill 605

Relating to: investment of assets in the state investment fund (suggested as remedial legislation by the Investment Board).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on Financial Institutions.

Assembly Bill 606

Relating to: Investment Board report dealing with investments in this state (suggested as remedial legislation by the Investment Board).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on Financial Institutions.

Assembly Bill 607

Relating to: wind turbines located on land designated as managed forest land and granting rule—making authority.

By Representatives Hahn, Wood, Albers, Ballweg and Musser; cosponsored by Senator Wirch.

To committee on Biofuels and Sustainable Energy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on **Criminal Justice** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 241

Relating to: graffiti and providing a penalty.

Passage:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Kleefisch, Friske, Albers, Owens, Vukmir, Kramer, Turner, Staskunas, Grigsby and Hraychuck.

Noes: 1 – Representative Kessler.

To committee on Rules.

JOEL KLEEFISCH
Chairperson
Committee on Criminal Justice

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

From: Robert J. Marchant, Senate Chief Clerk.

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform you that the Senate has

Passed and asks concurrence in:

Senate Bill 42

ACTION ON THE SENATE MESSAGE

Senate Bill 42

Relating to: school policies on bullying.

By Senators Kedzie, Coggs, Carpenter, Lassa, Roessler, Darling, Lehman, Schultz, Hansen, Sullivan and A. Lasee; cosponsored by Representatives Jeskewitz, Lothian, Young, Sheridan, Fields, Turner, Hines, Albers, Berceau, A. Ott, Ballweg, Krusick, Cullen and Owens.

To committee on Education.

REFERENCE BUREAU CORRECTIONS

Assembly Bill 590

- **1.** Page 1, line 3: delete "department of military affairs" and substitute "Department of Military Affairs".
- **2.** Page 2, line 3: on lines 3 and 12, delete "Department of Military Affairs" and substitute "department of military affairs".

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin Office of the Governor Madison

November 28, 2007

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

The following bill, originating in the Assembly, has been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State:

Bill Number Act Number Date Approved
Assembly Bill 280 36 November 28, 2007

Respectfully submitted, JIM DOYLE Governor

COMMUNICATIONS

November 27, 2007

Patrick Fuller Assembly Chief Clerk 17 West Main Street, Suite 401 Madison, WI 53708

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Due to a family funeral I was unable to cast my votes during legislative session on October 30, 2007.

Therefore, I would like to be recorded in the Assembly Journal as follows:

In support of:

Assembly Bill 306
Assembly Bill 326
Assembly Bill 339
Assembly Bill 351
Assembly Bill 359
Assembly Bill 372
Assembly Bill 373
Assembly Bill 413
Assembly Bill 454
Assembly Bill 472
Assembly Bill 526
Assembly Bill 246
Assembly Bill 370
Senate Bill 214

Opposed to:

Assembly Bill 258 Assembly Bill 426 Assembly Bill 427

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Pleas feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

JIM KREUSER

State Representative
64th Assembly District

November 28, 2007

Patrick Fuller Assembly Chief Clerk 17 West Main Street, Suite 401 Madison, WI 53708

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please add my name as a co-sponsor of Assembly Joint Resolution 5, relating to renaming the decorated tree on display in the Capitol rotunda during the Christmas holiday season as the Wisconsin State Christmas Tree.

Sincerely, *LUTHER OLSEN* State Senator 14th Senate District

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Secretary of State
Madison

To Whom It May Concern:

Acts, Joint Resolutions and Resolutions deposited in this office have been numbered and published as follows:

Bill NumberAct NumberPublication DateAssembly Bill 28036December 12, 2007

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau Madison

November 28, 2007

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

We have completed an evaluation of state and local governments' compliance with election laws, as required by 2003 Wisconsin Act 265. The Elections Board enforces election laws and supports and trains the municipal clerks who register voters and administer elections. Early next year, however, the Government Accountability Board will replace and assume the duties of the Elections Board.

Federal law requires Wisconsin to implement an electronic statewide voter registration system, in part to prevent ineligible individuals from voting. Available information indicates there were few problems with ineligible individuals voting in November 2006; however, ongoing problems with the electronic system continue to make it difficult to identify such individuals.

Federal and state laws require voting systems and polling places to be accessible to individuals with disabilities. However, we noted numerous problems when we visited 36 polling places in 20 municipalities on Election Day in November 2006. As a result, we question whether some polling places are adequately accessible.

We have followed up on the recommendations in our 2005 evaluation of voter registration and provide a number of new recommendations for improving the administration of elections and enhancing the statewide voter registration system. We also note that additional efforts are needed to ensure that municipal clerks and other local election officials receive statutorily required training in administering elections effectively and appropriately.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by the Elections Board and local election officials. A response from the Elections Board follows the appendices.

> Respectfully submitted, JANICE MUELLER State Auditor