

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
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The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

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**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND  
REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS;  
REFERENCE OF APPOINTMENTS**

**State of Wisconsin  
Office of the Governor**

February 7, 2007

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint ALBRECHT, ARLIE, of Green Bay, as a member of the Marriage and Family Therapy Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,  
*JIM DOYLE*  
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing.**

**State of Wisconsin  
Office of the Governor**

February 6, 2007

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint BRENNAN, JAMES, of Milwaukee, as a member of the Public Defender Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,  
*JIM DOYLE*  
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Judiciary and Corrections.**

**State of Wisconsin  
Office of the Governor**

February 7, 2007

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint PLALE, JEFF, of South

Milwaukee, as a member of the College Savings Program Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,  
*JIM DOYLE*  
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Agriculture and Higher Education.**

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**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

The committee on **Environment and Natural Resources** reports and recommends:

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 06–023**

Relating to the safe drinking water loan program.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 06–025**

Relating to balances in the waste management program revenue account.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 06–037**

Relating to correcting management unit boundaries, clarifying trapping requirements, correcting cross-references, and updating rules on the identification of tree stands on state lands.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 06–097**

Relating to the definition of “generally accepted forestry management practices”.

No action taken.

**Senate Clearinghouse Rule 06–102**

Relating to hazardous waste management.

No action taken.

*MARK MILLER*  
Chairperson

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**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**State of Wisconsin  
Department of Corrections**

February 5, 2007

The Honorable, The Legislature:

As required under Section 301.03 (6r) of the 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, 2006 the Department had 23,369 adult inmates assigned to Type "1" prisons in state and in contract facilities. Out of the 23,369 inmates, 14,588 had violent offenses.

Sincerely,  
*MATTHEW J. FRANK*  
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Judiciary and Corrections.**

**State of Wisconsin  
Department of Corrections**

February 5, 2007

The Honorable, The Legislature:

The following information is provided to you pursuant to 301.03(6m) Wi Stats. The figures below pertain to calendar year 2006.

1) In 2005, there were 70 Chapter 51 mental health commitments within the Department of Corrections. 58 commitments were obtained at the Wisconsin Resource Center (male inmates) and 12 commitments were obtained at Taycheedah Correctional Institution (female inmates).

After a Chapter 51 commitment, male inmates return to the Wisconsin Resource Center (WRC) for further treatment. Average length of stay for WRC inmates was 343 days. No male inmates were directly transferred to a state mental health institute on a voluntary or involuntary basis. Instead, the Wisconsin Resource Center provides an inpatient setting that is used for intensive mental health treatment of male inmates.

After a chapter 51 commitment, 9 females were transferred directly to Winnebago Mental Health Institute (WMHI) and 3

were transferred back to Taycheedah Correctional Institution. All 9 of the transfers to WMHI represented involuntary transfers, and the average length of stay was 75 days. There were no voluntary transfers to a state mental health institute.

2) The total number of inmates who were treated with psychotropic medication in 2006 was 6865. This number includes inmates who were incarcerated for short-term stays as well as long-term stays. The number of inmates who were treated with psychotropic medication on any specific date is estimated at approximately 3900. Of these, the number treated on an involuntary basis was the same as the number of involuntary commitments (70). Major classes of medication included antidepressants, antipsychotics, and mood stabilizers.

3) Mental Health Services are available at all of the major institutions. Services include crisis intervention, individual counseling, and group therapy. Specific programs include sex offender treatment, anger management, domestic violence, substance abuse treatment, and cognitive interventions. Psychiatrists are available at all major institutions to provide evaluations for psychotropic medication and management of these medications. In addition, consultation is available from both psychologists and psychiatrists to evaluate competency to consent to psychotropic medication and/or medical treatment.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,  
*MATTHEW J. FRANK*  
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Judiciary and Corrections.**