

STATE OF WISCONSIN
Senate Journal
Ninety–Eighth Regular Session

FRIDAY, April 4, 2008

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

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries dated Thursday, April 3, 2008.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

The Chief Clerk records:

Senate Bill 28
Senate Bill 289
Senate Bill 396
Senate Bill 493
Senate Bill 514
Senate Bill 517
Senate Bill 519
Senate Bill 545
Senate Bill 549
Senate Bill 551

Presented to the Governor on 4–3–2008.

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

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor**

April 2, 2008

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint CUPP, MARK, of Blue River, as a member of the Land and Water Conservation Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
JIM DOYLE

Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Environment and Natural Resources**.

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor**

April 3, 2008

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint GEENEN, JON, of Kaukauna, as a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,
JIM DOYLE
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Workforce Development, Technical Colleges and Consumer Protection**.

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor**

April 2, 2008

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint LUNDBERG, WILLIAM, of Wisconsin Rapids, as a member of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,
JIM DOYLE

Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Environment and Natural Resources**.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Secretary of State**

April 4, 2008

The Honorable, the Legislature:

| <u>Bill Number</u> | <u>Act Number</u> | <u>Publication Date</u> |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Senate Bill 273 | Act 203 | April 15, 2008 |

Sincerely,
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

**State of Wisconsin
Legislative Reference Bureau**

April 4, 2008

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The following rules have been published in the March 31, 2008 Wisconsin Administrative [Register No. 627](#):

| <u>Clearinghouse Rules</u> | <u>Effective Date(s)</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 06–137 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–005 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–047 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–048 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–049 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–054 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–056 | 4–1–2008 |
| 07–057 | 4–1–2008 |

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| 07-066 | 4-1-2008 |
| 07-068 | 4-1-2008 |
| 07-085 | 4-1-2008 |
| 07-091 | 4-1-2008 |
| 07-096 | 4-1-2008 |

Sincerely,
BRUCE HOESLEY
 Senior Legislative Attorney/Code Editor

**State of Wisconsin
 Investment Board**

March 31, 2008

The Honorable, The Legislature:

Attached please find a copy of our annual "Goals, Strategies and Performance Report". We provide this pursuant to section 25.17 (14m), Stats. The report contains in-depth information about how we managed the funds and how they performed during very volatile markets in 2007. We expect the markets' volatility to continue and describe in the report steps we are taking to position the funds for 2008 and beyond.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the report or would like to discuss any of the issues in more depth.

Sincerely,
KEITH BOZARTH
 Executive Director

Referred to committee on **Retirement Systems**.

**State of Wisconsin
 Department of Administration**

March 31, 2008

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 February 2008.

On February 1, 2008, the **Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund** cash balance closed at a negative \$2 thousand. This negative balance continued through February 29, 2008, when the fund's cash balance closed at a negative \$2 thousand. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On February 1, 2008, the **Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund** cash balance closed at a negative \$44.8 million. This negative balance continued through February 29, 2008, when the fund's cash balance closed at a negative \$28.7 million. The **Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund** cash balance reached its intra-month low of a negative \$46.6 million on February 14, 2008. The negative balance was due to the transfer of \$71.5 million to the General Fund per **2007 Wisconsin Act 20**, and the pending liquidation of fund securities necessary to offset this shortfall.

On February 1, 2008, the **Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund** cash balance closed at a negative \$14 thousand (its intra-month low). This negative balance continued through February 5, 2008, when the fund's cash balance closed at a positive \$33.0 thousand. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On February 1, 2008, the **Conservation Fund** cash balance closed at a negative \$3.0 million. This negative balance continued through February 29, 2008, when the fund's cash balance closed at a negative \$12.1 million (its intra-month low). The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

The Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund, Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund, Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund, and Conservation Fund shortfalls were not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitations 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,
MICHAEL L. MORGAN
 Secretary

Referred to joint committee on **Finance**.

**State of Wisconsin
 Department of Public Instruction**

April 1, 2008

The Honorable, The Senate:

The annual report on the status of the Preschool-to-Grade-Five (P-5) Program has been submitted to the Joint Committee on Finance and is submitted to you for referral to the appropriate standing committees pursuant to s. 115.45 (6) (b) and (c), Wis. Stats.

All P-5 school district evaluation reports for 2006-07 are contained herein, reporting on the academic progress for all schools funded by the P-5 program. If you have any questions, please contact my office or April L. Holland in the DPI Office of Urban Education at (414-227-4942).

Sincerely,
ELIZABETH BURMASTER
 State Superintendent

Referred to committee on **Education**.

**REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF COMMITTEE
 REPORTS CONCERNING PROPOSED
 ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 07-104

Relating to major source definition and affecting small business.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from Agency, April 3, 2008.

Referred to committee on **Environment and Natural Resources**, April 4, 2008.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 07-112

Relating to general permits for dredging in Great Lakes navigable waterways.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from Agency, April 3, 2008.

Referred to committee on **Environment and Natural Resources**, April 4, 2008.