



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Assembly Journal

One-Hundredth Regular Session

11:20 A.M.

TUESDAY, June 28, 2011

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

Representative Marklein in the chair.

The Assembly dispensed with the call of the roll.

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 3 to Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 161** offered by Representatives Kessler and Zamarripa.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 177** offered by Representative Steineke.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 11-007

Relating to game and hunting, wildlife damage and nuisance control, and DNR managed lands.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.

Report received from Agency, June 21, 2011.

To committee on **Natural Resources**.

Referred on June 28, 2011.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 11-025

Relating to the requirements for the initial licensure of veterinarians, specifically the procedures for and the types of examinations required.

Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Report received from Agency, June 15, 2011.

To committee on **Agriculture**.

Referred on June 28, 2011.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Bill 193

Relating to: creating an individual income tax checkoff for contributions to elementary and secondary education, shared

revenue, and Medical Assistance, and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Bernier, Brooks, Jacque, Litjens, Thiesfeldt and Wynn; cosponsored by Senators Wanggaard, Moulton and Lasee.

To committee on **Ways and Means**.

Assembly Bill 194

Relating to: requiring certain information in state agency budget requests.

By Representatives Severson, Litjens, Kerkman, Spanbauer, Steineke, Weininger, Rivard and Thiesfeldt; cosponsored by Senator Darling.

To committee on **Ways and Means**.

Assembly Bill 195

Relating to: the regulation of emissions of hazardous air contaminants associated with agricultural waste and the partial suspension of rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources.

By joint committee for review of Administrative Rules.

To committee on **Natural Resources**.

Assembly Bill 196

Relating to: prohibiting the promulgation of certain rules concerning campaign financing by the Government Accountability Board.

By joint committee for review of Administrative Rules.

To committee on **Election and Campaign Reform**.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on **Ways and Means** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 105

Relating to: creating an exception to certain requirements in the creation of or amendment to a tax incremental financing district in the village of Pleasant Prairie.

Passage:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Kerkman, Nass, Petersen, Knodl, Endsley, Kapenga, Staskunas, Toles, Steinbrink and Zamarripa.

Noes: 1 – Representative Ziegelbauer.

To committee on **Rules**.

SAMANTHA KERKMAN

Chairperson
Committee on Ways and Means

SPEAKER'S COMMUNICATIONS

June 28, 2011

Mr. Patrick Fuller
Chief Clerk, Wisconsin State Assembly
Room 401, Risser Justice Center
17 West Main Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

Dear Patrick:

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 42 (3)(c), I am withdrawing **Assembly Bill 142** from the Assembly Committee on Education and re-referring it to the Assembly Committee on Colleges and Universities. I have the consent of Representative Steve Kestell, chair of the Assembly Committee on Education, to take this action.

Sincerely,
JEFF FITZGERALD
Assembly Speaker

June 28, 2011

Mr. Patrick Fuller
Chief Clerk, Wisconsin State Assembly
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Dear Patrick:

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 42 (3)(c), I am withdrawing **Assembly Bill 189** from the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economy and Small Business and re-referring it to the Assembly Committee on Insurance. I have the consent of Representative Mary Williams, chair of the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economy and Small Business, to take this action.

Sincerely,
JEFF FITZGERALD
Assembly Speaker

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Audit Bureau
Madison

June 28, 2011

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

As required under s. 13.94 (1)(dh), Wis. Stats., we have completed our annual financial audit of the Wisconsin Health Insurance Risk-Sharing Plan (HIRSP) Authority for 2010 and have provided an unqualified audit opinion on its financial statements. The HIRSP Authority provides medical and prescription drug insurance for individuals who are unable to obtain coverage in the private market or who have lost employer-sponsored group health insurance.

Enrollment in the state-based HIRSP Plan increased 15.8 percent to reach 18,965 as of December 31, 2010, and increased another 7.2 percent during the first four months of 2011. At least part of this increase is a result of reduced premiums and improved affordability.

Since its inception in 2006, the HIRSP Authority has maintained a sound financial position. Its net asset balance was \$13.7 million as of December 31, 2010, which is slightly higher than its targeted balance of \$12.6 million. However, in response to an unexpected increase in large medical claims and prescription drug costs, the HIRSP Authority is increasing most policyholder premium rates for the state-based HIRSP Plan by 15.0 percent effective July 1, 2011.

In July 2010, as part of federal health care reform efforts, the federal government contracted with the HIRSP Authority to operate a temporary high-risk insurance pool for individuals who are uninsured because of pre-existing medical conditions. The HIRSP Federal Plan had enrolled 307 policyholders at the end of 2010 and is expected to operate until 2014. The federal government funds costs in excess of the premiums collected from policyholders.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by the HIRSP Authority, the plan administrator, and the pharmacy benefit manager.

Sincerely,
JOE CHRISMAN
Interim State Auditor

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Loudbeck moved that the Assembly stand adjourned pursuant to **Senate Joint Resolution 1**.

The question was: Shall the Assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The Assembly stood adjourned.

11:21 A.M.