



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Assembly Journal

One-Hundredth Regular Session

FRIDAY, December 14, 2012

The Chief Clerk makes the following entry dated
Wednesday, December 5, 2012:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee on **Energy and Utilities** reports and recommends:

Clearinghouse Rule 12-042

Relating to adoption of federal pipeline safety regulations.

Review period waived recommended:

Ayes: 8 – Representatives Honadel, Klenke, Petersen, Tauchen, T. Larson, Zepnick, Steinbrink and Hulsey.

Noes: 0 – None.

To joint committee for **review of Administrative Rules**, pursuant to s. 227.19 (5)(a), Wisconsin Statutes.

REPRESENTATIVE MARK HONADEL
Chairperson
Committee on Energy and Utilities

The Chief Clerk makes the following entry dated
Wednesday, December 12, 2012:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Joint Committee for Review of **Administrative Rules** reports and recommends:

Clearinghouse Rule 12-042

Relating to adoption of federal pipeline safety regulations.

Review period waived:

Ayes: 8 – Senators C. Larson, Jauch, Wirch and Grothman; Representatives J. Ott, Meyer, LeMahieu and Hebl.

Noes: 0 – None.

REPRESENTATIVE JIM OTT
Co-Chair
The Joint Committee for Review of
Administrative Rules

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries dated
Friday, December 14, 2012:

COMMUNICATIONS

December 12, 2012

Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald
211 West, State Capitol
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Speaker Fitzgerald:

I am writing to inform you that I will be resigning from the Wisconsin State Assembly before the end of my current term. My last day will be Friday, December 28, 2012.

It has been a pleasure to serve the people of the 85th Assembly District for the last 8 years.

Sincerely,
DONNA SEIDEL
State Representative
85th Assembly District

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

November 30, 2012

To 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 October 2012.

On October 1, 2012, the Medical Assistance Trust Fund cash balance closed at a negative \$4.4 million (its intra-month low). The cash balance was negative until October 23, 2012, when it closed at a positive \$187 thousand.

On October 1, 2012, the Critical Access Hospital Assessment Fund cash balance closed at a negative \$98 thousand (its intra-month low). The cash balance was negative until October 2, 2012, when it closed at a positive \$113 thousand.

The Medical Assistance Trust Fund and Critical Access Hospital Assessment Fund shortfalls were due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures, 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 temporary reallocations of balance authority, and as a result, the funds requiring the use of the authority will effectively bear the interest cost.

Sincerely,
MIKE HUEBSCH
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Ways and Means** and joint committee on **Finance**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources
Madison

November 30, 2012

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

It's my pleasure to share with you some of the successes we are seeing with Wisconsin's electronics recycling program, E-Cycle Wisconsin. This program, which expands electronics recycling options for Wisconsin households and schools with financial support from electronics manufacturers, is helping create jobs in our state and reducing costs for local taxpayers.

With more than 400 collection sites in 69 of the state's 72 counties, E-Cycle Wisconsin is making it easier for us all to properly recycle the old TVs, computers and VCRs sitting in our basements and closets. During the most recent program year, Wisconsin households and schools recycled 39.1 million pounds of electronics, allowing the metal, plastic and glass to be used in new manufacturing rather than sitting in a landfill. That's about 6.8 pounds per person, one of the highest collection rates in the nation. By the end of 2012, we expect the program will have collected 100 million pounds since it began in January 2010.

Enclosed is the annual report on Wisconsin's electronics recycling law, required under s. 287.17 (10), Wis. Stats. The report includes a summary of program results to date, an update on implementation of the bans on landfilling or incinerating electronics, and a summary of the law's economic impacts. As required under the statute, the report also includes a discussion of potential challenges and

recommendations for small tweaks to the law to help it work better for businesses and consumers.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ann Coakley, director of our Waste and Materials Management Program, at (608) 516-2492. Additional program information and results can be found at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ecycle>.

Sincerely,
CATHY STEPP
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.

State of Wisconsin
WHA Information Center
Madison

December 3, 2012

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Please find enclosed a hard copy of the 2009-2010 Wisconsin Inpatient Hospital Quality Indicators Report produced by WHA Information Center pursuant to s. 153.22, Wis. Stats. The report was posted on our Web site in October 2012. Please feel free to download and print additional copies at www.whainfocenter.org.

If you have any questions regarding the report you may contact me at 608-274-1820 or drickelman@wha.org.

Sincerely,
DEBBIE RICKELMAN
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Health**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources
Madison

December 10, 2012

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The attached report was developed pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Chapter 23.22 (6) that requires that the DNR submit to the legislature and the governor a biennial report on the invasive species program, descriptions of the state funding and other sources of funding expended to control invasive species, and an assessment of the future needs of the program. If you should have any questions on this report or the DNR invasive species program please contact Mindy Wilkinson, Invasive Species Coordinator (608) 266-6437.

Sincerely,
PAUL HEINEN
Department of Natural Resources

Referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.