

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

One–Hundredth Regular Session

MONDAY, February 21, 2011

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

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries dated **Friday, February 18, 2011**.

REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

The committee on **Financial Institutions and Rural Issues** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 10–113

Relating to rural outsourcing grants and affecting small businesses.

No action taken.

DALE SCHULTZ
Chairperson

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports:

Referred to, and withdrawn from, the joint committee on **Finance**, pursuant to Senate Rule 41 (1)(e):

Senate Bill 9

Placed the following appointment and proposals on the Senate Calendar of Tuesday, February 22, 2011:

ELOISE ANDERSON Senate Joint Resolution 12 Senate Bill 9

Ayes: 5 – Senators Fitzgerald, Ellis, Grothman, Miller and Hansen.

Noes: 0 – None.

SCOTT FITZGERALD
Chairperson

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Department of Workforce Development

February 18, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 109.12(2) and (3), I hereby submit the Department of Workforce Development's (DWD's) 2010

annual report on the administration and enforcement of Wis. Stat. 109.07 and 109.075. The report contains three attachments. The first attachment, Exhibit A, lists all employers in 2010 that notified DWD of business closing and mass layoffs planned in Wisconsin. The second attachment, Exhibit B, lists employers against whom DWD has received business closing or mass layoff notification complaints.

Business Closing or Mass Layoff Notification Cases

On January 1, 2010, the department had twenty–one (21) business closing or mass layoff cases pending either within DWD or at the Department of Justice (DOJ). Since January 1, 2010, seventeen (17) of those cases have been resolved. Three (3) of them were settled and two (2) were closed as uncollectible. Eleven (11) cases were closed as invalid complaints. Of the remaining four (4) cases, one (1) remains under investigation at the DWD and three (3) are at the DOJ in various stages of litigation.

During 2010, the department has received sixteen (16) new cases. Three (3) of these cases remain under investigation. Twelve (12) of these cases have been closed as invalid. One case was dismissed as uncollectible.

Overall in 2010, the departments collected more than \$525,000 in increased wages for 195 employees due to a combination of employers' failure to provide employees with advance notices of business closings or mass layoffs or unpaid final wages for these employees.

Healthcare Plan Cessation Notification Cases

On January 1, 2010, the department had five (5) healthcare plan cessation notification cases pending either at DWD or DOJ. Since January 1, 2010, two (2) of these cases were closed as invalid and one (1) case was settled. The remaining two (2) cases are with the DOJ in litigation.

During 2010 the department received four (4) new cases. DWD has complete its investigation of three (3) of these cases and determined they were invalid. The remaining case is under investigation.

If you have any questions regarding the information contained in this report please contact Jim Chiolino, Acting Administrator of the Equal Rights Division, at (608) 266–3345.

Sincerely,
MANNY PEREZ
Secretary

ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor

February 17, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint SWANSON, LEE, of Cross Plains, as a member of the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority, to serve for the term ending January 1, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
SCOTT WALKER
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Economic Development and Veterans and Military Affairs.**

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

By Patrick E. Fuller, chief clerk.

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the Assembly has concurred in:

Senate Joint Resolution 15