STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

One-Hundredth Regular Session

FRIDAY, September 30, 2011

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

September 30, 2011

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports:

[MOTION] To create the Select Committee on Mining Jobs. The committee will work toward the goal of introducing and passing reform legislation pertaining to the regulation of ferrous metallic mining and related activities.

The committee shall be an appropriate committee for referral of legislation. The committee shall hold hearings and take testimony. The committee may hold hearings in Wisconsin at locations outside of Madison. Committee members and the committee clerk may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending any hearing outside of Madison. Such reimbursement is not charged against the Senator's office account.

The Legislative Council shall provide staff counsel to the committee, who shall attend every meeting of the committee and assist the committee clerk with the production of documents for the committee. The Sergeant at Arms shall provide staff support at every meeting of the committee.

The committee shall be a special committee pursuant to Senate Rule 21. The committee shall consist of seven members, with four members representing the majority party and three members representing the minority party. Minority party members shall be appointed based upon nomination of the Minority Leader.

Ayes, $\mathbf{5}$ – Senators Fitzgerald, Ellis, Grothman, Miller, and Hansen.

Sincerely, SCOTT FITZGERALD Majority Leader

Chair, Committee on Senate Organization

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin Office of the Senate Majority Leader

September 30, 2011 The Honorable, The Senate: Pursuant to Senate Rule 21, I have made the following appointments:

To the **Select Committee on Mining Jobs**:

Senators Kedzie (Chair), Zipperer (Vice-Chair), Schultz, Cowles, Jauch, Carpenter and Erpenbach

With regard to members of the minority party, appointments are based on nominations by the Minority Leader.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely, SCOTT FITZGERALD Senate Majority Leader

State of Wisconsin Office of the Senate Majority Leader

September 29, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Section 9152 (1tc) (b) (2) of 2011 Wisconsin Act 32, I am making the following appointments to the Special Task Force on UW Restructuring and Operational Flexibilites.

- Chancellor Dennis Shields of Platteville
- Chancellor Ray Cross of Fitchburg
- Renee Ramirez of Waukesha
- S. Mark Tyler of Woodville
- Joanne Brandes of Franklin
- Senator Sheila Harsdorf of River Falls

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely, SCOTT FITZGERALD Senate Majority Leader

State of Wisconsin Office of the Governor

September 30, 2011

To the Honorable, the Senate:

The following bill(s), originating in the Senate, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State:

Bill NumberAct NumberDate ApprovedSenate Bill 115..... Act 45.... September 30, 2011

Respectfully submitted, SCOTT WALKER
Governor

State of Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau

September 30, 2011

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The following rules have been published in the September 30, 2011 Wisconsin Administrative Register No.669:

Clearinghouse Rules	Effective Date(s)
10–109	10–1–2011
11-004	10–1–2011
11-018	10–1–2011
11-019	10–1–2011
11-028	10–1–2011

Sincerely,
BRUCE J. HOESLY
Senior Legislative Attorney/Code Editor

State of Wisconsin Joint Legislative Council

September 30, 2011

The Honorable, the Senate:

The Co-Chairs recommend appointment of the officers and members of the Law Revision Committee [s. 13.83 (1), Stats.], as set forth below:

Sen. Glenn Grothman, *Co-Chair* Rep. Jim Ott, *Co-Chair* Sen. Jessica King Rep. Bill Kramer Rep. Louis Molepske, Jr.

Sincerely, TERRY C. ANDERSON Director

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau

September 29, 2011

The Honorable, The Legislature:

As required by s. 13.94(1)(dg), Wis. Stats., we have completed a limited–scope review of the dental services grant provided by the Department of Health Services to the Marquette University School of Dentistry for fiscal year (FY) 2008–09 and FY 2009–10. During that two–year period, Marquette University received \$5.5 million in general purpose revenue to help fund dental services provided to underserved individuals at clinics in various locations throughout Wisconsin.

Overall, we found Marquette University has developed and implemented adequate procedures to ensure compliance with statutory and grant requirements. In addition, we confirmed that dental services grant funds were expended only for services normally considered a part of comprehensive general dental treatments.

We note that dental services expenses exceeded revenues by \$2.8 million in FY 2008–09 and \$2.9 million in FY 2009–10. Marquette University staff indicate that clinic revenues, which include the dental services grant, patient fees, and other revenues, are not intended to cover all costs. Instead, the focus of the clinics is to provide clinical education experiences for dental students and dental services for underserved Wisconsin residents.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by Marquette University staff during our review.

Sincerely, JOE CHRISMAN Interim State Auditor

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau

September 29, 2011

The Honorable, The Legislature:

As required by s. 39.15, Wis. Stats., we have completed a limited–scope review of aid for medical education and of other financial support provided by the State to the Medical College of Wisconsin for fiscal year (FY) 2008–09 and FY 2009–10. During the two–year period we reviewed, the Legislature appropriated \$4.0 million in general purpose revenue for tuition aid and provided the Medical College with approximately \$6.5 million in general purpose revenue for the development and operation of its family practice residency program. In addition, the Medical College received \$299,000 in funding for breast cancer and prostate cancer research through the income tax check–off program, and the State made \$2.8 million in debt service payments related to general obligation debt that it issued in the past to fund a number of construction projects at the Medical College.

Overall, we found that the Medical College was in compliance with requirements set forth in ss. 39.15 and 39.155, Wis. Stats. Students claimed for tuition aid were eligible to receive it and the Medical College targeted 35 to 50 percent of first—year class openings for Wisconsin residents, promoted minority enrollment, and expended funds provided by the State in a manner consistent with legislative intent. We also found that the State's debt service payments were consistent with the debt repayment schedules maintained by the Department of Administration for the applicable Medical College construction projects.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by staff of the Medical College of Wisconsin during this review.

Sincerely, JOE CHRISMAN Interim State Auditor

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau

September 29, 2011

The Honorable, The Legislature:

As required by s. 39.46, Wis. Stats., we have completed a limited–scope review of the dental education contract between the State of Wisconsin and the Marquette University School of Dentistry for fiscal year (FY) 2008–09 and FY 2009–10. During that two–year period, the State expended nearly \$2.8 million in general purpose revenue to provide tuition aid for Wisconsin residents enrolled in the undergraduate dental education program. Individuals were awarded \$8,753 in FY 2008–09 and \$8,665 in FY 2009–10.

Overall, we found that Marquette University was in compliance with its contract and with requirements set forth in s. 39.46, Wis. Stats. The funds were spent only for the undergraduate dental school program, Wisconsin residents were targeted for program enrollment, and minority enrollment was promoted.

We also confirmed that the students for whom tuition aid was claimed had been certified by the Higher Educational Aids Board as Wisconsin residents and were eligible to receive this aid. In the course of that work, we identified one instance in which a student who received tuition aid during FY 2009–10 later withdrew from school, and Marquette University failed to return the tuition aid as required. In response to our inquiries, Marquette University staff reviewed all student withdrawals from FY 2006–07 through FY 2008–09, identified one additional exception, and appropriately returned tuition aid that had been received for these two students to the Higher Educational Aids Board. Marquette University subsequently implemented procedures to ensure tuition aid payments are properly returned in the event of future student withdrawals, and we will evaluate those procedures during our next review.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by Marquette University staff during our review.

Sincerely, *JOE CHRISMAN* Interim State Auditor

WHA Information Center

September 29, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

Please fine enclosed a hard copy of the *Guide to Wisconsin Hospitals*, *FY 2010* produced by WHA Information Center pursuant to s. 153.22, Wis. Stats. The report was posted on our Web site in August 2011. Please feel free to download and print additional copies.

If you have any questions regarding the report you may contact me at 608–274–1820, 800–231–8340 or drickelman@wha.org.

Sincerely,

DEBBIE RICKELMAN

Senior Director