

GENERAL REPORT  
OF THE JOINT  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
TO THE  
2013-14 LEGISLATURE



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High School

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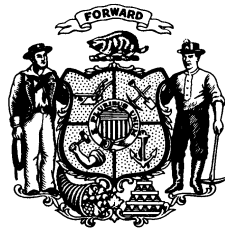
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To the Honorable Governor Scott Walker  
and Members of the 2013 Wisconsin Legislature:

We are pleased to submit this *General Report* of the Joint Legislative Council. This General Report summarizes the work of the Joint Legislative Council and its committees during the period from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014. These committees were established to examine major issues and problems identified by the Council or referred to the Council.

Sincerely,

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## PREFACE

This **General Report** of the Joint Legislative Council to the 2013-14 Legislature is prepared pursuant to s. 13.81 (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes. It summarizes the work of the Joint Legislative Council from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014 and of those statutory and special committees established by the Council to report to the 2013-14 Legislature.

The Joint Legislative Council continued two statutory committees and established eight special committees to conduct various studies and to make reports to the 2013-14 Legislature. [See list on page 1 of Part I.]

As of June 30, 2014, the following eight reports containing the recommendations of special committees were submitted to the 2013-14 Legislature dealing with the substantive issues considered by these committees. These reports are listed below. Copies may be obtained from the Legislative Council staff offices or website (<http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>).

LCR 2013-02	Special Committee on Improving Educational Opportunities in High School
LCR 2013-03	Special Committee on Supervised Release and Discharge of Sexually Violent Persons
LCR 2013-04	Special Committee on Review of Emergency Detention and Admission of Minors Under Chapter 51
LCR 2013-05	Special Committee on Reporting of Child Abuse and Child Neglect
LCR 2013-06	Special Committee on Permanency for Young Children in the Child Welfare System
LCR 2013-07	Special Committee on 911 Communications
LCR 2013-08	Special Committee on Legal Interventions for Persons With Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias
LCR 2013-09	Special Committee on State-Tribal Relations

The Council's Law Revision Committee does not report to the Council; rather, it introduces its legislation separately.

In addition to special committees and statutory committees, the Co-Chairs of the Joint Legislative Council appointed a steering committee for a Symposia Series on State Income Tax Reform Information. LCR 2012-01, *Symposia Series on State Income Tax Reform Information*, provides a summary of the symposia series and the recommendations received by the steering committee.

This General Report is organized into the following parts:

Part I describes the Joint Legislative Council, and particularly the activities of the 2012-13 Council.

Part II contains a list of, and briefly describes the work of, each of the Council's committees as well as Joint Legislative Council and legislative actions on the committee recommendations.

The Appendix lists the members of special committees that were established during the period covered by this report.

Complete information on each study committee from the 2014 interim, and previous interims, are available at the Council's website: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>.



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PART I

WORK OF THE 2013-14 JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



## **WORK OF THE 2013-14 JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

The Joint Legislative Council held two meetings between January 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014 (the period covered by this report) on the following dates:

January 16, 2013  
February 13, 2013

The proposals introduced by the Joint Legislative Council and the Law Revision Committee are discussed in Part II of this report.

### **Council Special Committees**

During the period covered by this report, the Council functioned with two statutory committees, eight special committees, and one symposia series that were established to report to the 2013-14 Joint Legislative Council.

The statutory committees were:

- Law Revision
- State-Tribal Relations

The special committees that the Council created to report to the 2013-14 Council were:

- 911 Communications
- Improving Educational Opportunities in High School
- Legal Interventions for Persons With Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias
- Permanency for Young Children in the Child Welfare System
- Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect
- Review of Emergency Detention and Admission of Minors Under Ch. 51
- Supervised Release and Discharge of Sexually Violent Persons

In April 2012, Senator Mary Lazich and Representative Joan Ballweg, Co-Chairs of the Joint Legislative Council, created a steering committee to develop a Symposia Series on State Income Tax Reform Information. The Steering Committee was provided with the following assignment:

The steering committee is directed to: conduct information symposia and develop recommendations regarding Wisconsin's income tax code. The committee shall: review Wisconsin's current income tax code, the income tax codes of other states, and previously proposed methods for state tax code reform; consider the social and economic effects of tax code reforms as applied to individual and corporate taxpayers as well as the fiscal effects on state revenues; and develop recommendations, in the form of a committee report, for income tax reform that would improve economic growth for residents and businesses in the State of Wisconsin.

## **Organization and Activities of the Joint Legislative Council**

The Joint Legislative Council is composed of 22 legislators, 11 from the Senate and 11 from the Assembly. Twelve of these members are *ex officio*--that is, they serve on the Council because of their positions as legislative leaders--and are the following: the Speaker of the Assembly, the President of the Senate, the Speaker Pro Tempore of the Assembly, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Assembly and Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, the two Co-Chairs of the Joint Committee on Finance, and the ranking minority member of the Joint Committee on Finance from each house. The other 10 members are appointed as are members of standing committees; five are appointed by the Chair of the Senate Committee on Organization, and five by the Speaker of the Assembly. [s. 13.81 (1), Stats.]

The Joint Legislative Council establishes special committees during the recess periods of the Legislature. The Council determines which studies will be conducted and assigns these studies to particular committees created by the Council for these committees' review, study, and recommendations. These studies generally are of four types:

1. Intensive examination of problems that are expected to confront a succeeding Legislature.
2. Review of controversial subjects that were unresolved by the previous Legislature.
3. Major codifications and revisions of portions of the law.
4. Methods of improving the operation and effectiveness of state agencies.

There are two continuing Council committees currently required by statute [s. 13.83, Stats.]: the State-Tribal Relations Committee and the Law Revision Committee.

Under s. 13.82 (1), Stats., all studies or investigations that are proposed by the Legislature to be conducted are referred to the Council. Individual legislators and others often request, by letter, that a particular study be undertaken. Also, the Council is given specific statutory authority to initiate such studies as it feels will be of value to the citizens of the state. The Council determines which of the studies will be conducted, based on its judgment of which studies should have priority within the limits of the Council appropriation and staff resources.

The end result of this study activity is the submission by the committees of reports and, in almost all cases, implementing legislation to the Joint Legislative Council. The Council reviews the legislative proposals and introduces in the Legislature those it approves by a majority of the membership of the Council (12 votes).

### **Operation of Council Staff**

The Joint Legislative Council and the Council's special committees are staffed by a central nonpartisan legislative service agency. The Legislative Council staff serves in the unclassified service. As of June 30, 2014, the Council staff included, in addition to the Director, 16 attorneys, 2 analysts, and 6 administrative.

The basic duties of the staff include:

1. To provide legal, scientific and policy research, and administrative-secretarial services for the Council and its committees.
2. To provide legal, scientific and policy research, and analysis services for the Legislature's substantive standing committees and joint committees.
3. To provide legal, scientific, and policy research services for individual legislators.
4. To serve as the Administrative Rules Clearinghouse for review of all proposed administrative rules.
5. To provide information to the public.

Each of these activities is discussed briefly below.

*Services for the Council and its Committees.* The Council staff provides services for the Joint Legislative Council and its study committees.

*Services for Legislative Committees.* The Council staff provides nonpartisan legal counsel and scientific and policy research for standing committees and their subcommittees, select or special committees of the Legislature, and a number of joint statutory committees. The Council staff serves as the secretariat for the Joint Committee on Legislative Organization and for the Joint Committee on Employment Relations. Council staff also provides services to ad hoc or informal legislative study committees.

*Services for Individual Legislators.* Upon request, the Council staff provides legal analysis and other research to individual legislators.

*Administrative Rules Clearinghouse.* Prior to any public hearing on a proposed rule, or prior to notification of the chief clerks if no hearing is required, the agency proposing the rule must submit the proposed rule to the Council staff for review. The Council staff is required to review the rule for various technical requirements, such as statutory authority for promulgation of the rule and the form and clarity of the rule and issue a clearinghouse report with its comments on the rule. The Council staff also works with and assists the appropriate standing committees throughout the rule-making process. For additional information, see the Clearinghouse's 2011 Annual Report to the Legislature, which is available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>. [See s. 227.15, Stats.]

*Services to the Public.* The Council staff is available to answer questions from members of the general public and from research agencies and legislators of other states. Information about the Council staff, as well as publications prepared by the staff, are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>.



PART II

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEES



## 911 COMMUNICATIONS

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at [http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/.](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/)]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on 911 Communications and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to review 911 public safety communications in Wisconsin and develop legislation as needed to strengthen and improve the system. The Special Committee was specifically directed to study: (a) creation of a statewide entity to provide coordination and long-term planning for the system; (b) existing funding sources and projected costs of the system; (c) the training curriculum and requirements for 911 dispatch personnel; (d) establishment of a minimum 911 service standard; (e) methods to upgrade multi-line telephone system technology to enable responders to locate calls originating from large or multi-location facilities; and (f) best practices around the country for potential implementation in Wisconsin.

Membership of the Special Committee was appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot. Final committee membership consisted of two Senators, two Representatives, and 12 public members. A list of the committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held five meetings on the following dates:

July 19, 2012  
August 16, 2012  
September 27, 2012  
October 25, 2012  
December 13, 2012

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its February 13, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce the following legislation:

- 2013 Assembly Bill 97, relating to the creation of a state 911 council.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 98, relating to calls to 911 made from multiline telephone systems.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 99, relating to funding for the state 911 telecommunications system and granting rule-making authority.

- 2013 Assembly Bill 100, relating to the state 911 grant program and granting rule-making authority.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 101, relating to state 911 telecommunications services and making an appropriation.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 102, relating to telecommunications subscriber records, proprietary information of certain communications providers, and updates to certain 911 telecommunications service databases.

### **Actions of the Legislature**

The recommendations of the committee failed to be enacted during the 2013-14 Legislative Session.

## IMPROVING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN HIGH SCHOOL

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/>.]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on Improving Educational Opportunities in High School and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to develop legislation to create and enhance opportunities for both lower and higher achieving students in high school. The committee was specifically directed to: evaluate current options available to high school students for both career and technical education and post-secondary enrollment, including the Youth Options Program; examine both career and technical education and post-secondary enrollment options available to high school students in other states; and determine how to promote coordination between high schools, technical colleges, universities, and employers to ensure that high school students have the skills necessary to meet the workforce needs of employers in this state.

Membership of the Special Committee, appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot, consisted of three Senators, two Representatives, and 14 public members. Final committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held six meetings on the following dates:

July 16, 2012

August 20, 2012

September 13, 2012

October 24, 2012

November 19, 2012

December 17, 2012

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its January 16, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce the following legislation:

- 2013 Senate Bill 49, relating to academic and career plans, the youth options program, and granting rule-making authority.
- 2013 Senate Bill 50, relating to examinations administered to pupils in the 9th, 10th, and 11th grades.

- 2013 Senate Bill 51, relating to the number of mathematics and science credits required for a high school diploma

### **Actions of the Legislature**

2013 Assembly Bill 51 became 2013 Wisconsin Act 63 during the 2013-14 Legislative Session. A copy of Act 63 and a memorandum describing the Act are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>. The remaining recommendations failed to be enacted.

## LAW REVISION COMMITTEE

[A summary of the committee’s meetings, materials, and membership are available at [http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/.](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/)]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Law Revision Committee was first created by the Legislative Council at its May 30, 1980 meeting, as a statutory committee of the Council, pursuant to s. 13.83 (1), Stats., as created by Ch. 204, Laws of 1979. The membership of the committee is to be appointed in “each biennium.” Members were most recently appointed on July 24, 2013. The membership of the committee consisted of four Senators and six Representatives. A list of the committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The statute directs the committee to:

1. Review remedial legislation based on nonsubstantive changes recommended by agencies;
2. Review court decisions and opinions of the Attorney General which state that a statute is unconstitutional, ambiguous, or otherwise in need of revision; and
3. Review correction bills and minor substantive revision bills prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau.

The committee is also directed to introduce the bills prepared on these subjects directly, not through the Council, into the Legislature.

The committee’s activity for the period covered by this report is summarized below.

During the period covered by this report, the committee held four meetings in Madison on the following dates:

- September 12, 2013
- November 21, 2013
- December 17, 2013
- February 6, 2014

### Remedial Legislation and Correction Bills

<i>Bill Number</i>	<i>Recommended by</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>	<i>Status</i>
<b><i>Remedial Legislation</i></b>			
A.B. 559/S.B. 424	Department of Transportation	special group plates for women veterans, vehicle title information provided to county registers of deeds, the issuance of more than one motor vehicles operator's license to a person, location of emissions inspection stations, and insurance registration for motor carriers operating in	<b>2013 Act 163</b>

<i>Bill Number</i>	<i>Recommended by</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>	<i>Status</i>
		multiple jurisdictions.	
A.B. 560/S.B. 425	Director of State Courts	juries in criminal cases and contents of registers of officials.	<b>2013 Act 164</b>
A.B. 563/S.B. 429	Department of Justice	fixing an incorrect cross-reference under the statute of limitations for repeated sexual assault of the same child; numbers of subsections; sexual assault of a child; suspension of license to carry a concealed weapon if the person is prohibited from possessing a dangerous weapon as a condition of release when charged with a felony or misdemeanor.	<b>2013 Act 167</b>
A.B. 565/S.B. 423	Legislative Reference Bureau	repealing the schedule of election occurrences.	<b>2013 Act 169</b>
A.B. 566/S.B. 418	Department of Children and Families	minors acknowledging paternity; service of the summons and petition in a paternity action when the respondent is deceased; the form for a paternity action summons; releasing a frozen bank account of a support obligor; determining eligibility for Wisconsin Shares; notices to, and the exercise of rights by, a guardian ad litem in an unborn child in need of protection or services proceeding; requiring a diligent investigation by an agency that receives a report of child abuse or neglect if the agency cannot identify an individual who is suspected of the abuse or neglect; eliminating a voluntary foster care education program; the prohibition against a person who has committed armed robbery from showing that he or she has been rehabilitated for purposes of being licensed, certified, or contracted with to provide child care.	<b>2013 Act 170</b>
A.B. 567/S.B. 421	Legislative Reference Bureau	access to public records.	<b>2013 Act 171</b>
A.B. 568/S.B. 420	Legislative Reference Bureau	the effective date of administrative rules promulgated by state agencies.	<b>2013 Act 172</b>
A.B. 849/S.B. 643	Case and Opinion Review	county aid for town bridges and culverts.	<b>2013 Act 152</b>
A.B.851/S.B. 640	Legislative Reference Bureau	form required for certain residential repair or construction contracts.	<b>2013 Act 150</b>
A.B. 852/S.B. 642	Case and Opinion Review	the definition of an oral communication for purposes of authorizing or prohibiting an interception of an oral communication.	<b>Failed to pass pursuant to SJR 1</b>

Copies of the Acts shown above and memoranda describing those Acts are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/>.



## LEGAL INTERVENTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at [http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/.](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/)]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on Legal Interventions for Persons With Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to review and develop legislation to clarify the statutes regarding guardianship, protective placement, involuntary commitment, and involuntary treatment as they apply to vulnerable adults with a dementia diagnosis who may or may not have a co-occurring psychiatric diagnosis.

Membership of the Special Committee was appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot. Final committee membership consisted of two Senators, two Representatives, and 12 public members. A list of the final committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held five meetings on the following dates:

July 31, 2012  
September 12, 2012  
October 18, 2012  
November 14, 2012  
December 17, 2012

In addition, the following subcommittee was established and met on the following dates:

**Subcommittee of the Special Committee on Legal Interventions for Persons With Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias:** November 2, 2012; November 5, 2012; December 5, 2012; and December 6, 2012.

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its February 13, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce:

- 2013 Assembly Bill 575, relating to psychiatric and behavioral care and treatment for individuals with dementia, dementia care units, and providing a penalty.

## **Actions of the Legislature**

The recommendation of the committee failed to be enacted during the 2013-14 Legislative Session.

## PERMANENCY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN IN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at [http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/.](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/)]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on Permanency for Young Children in the Child Welfare System and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to study current law relating to permanency for children under the age of eight who are placed or at risk of being placed outside of their home, such as in foster care, to determine whether modifications could be made to reduce the length of time it takes to achieve permanency and to improve outcomes for these children. The committee was also directed to determine how current law may be modified to encourage the placement of younger children with a relative as an option for permanency or support.

Membership of the Special Committee, appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot, consisted of one Senator, two Representatives, and 13 public members. A list of the committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held six meetings on the following dates:

June 27, 2012

July 24, 2012

September 11, 2012

October 9, 2012

November 15, 2012

January 24, 2013

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its February 13, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce:

- 2013 Assembly Bill 150, relating to adoptions and posttermination contact agreements.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 151, relating to the right to counsel and the right to a jury trial in proceedings for a child in need of protection or services and for an involuntary termination of parental rights.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 152, relating to proceedings for a child in need of protection or services and for an involuntary termination of parental rights.

## **Actions of the Legislature**

The recommendations of the committee failed to be enacted during the 2013-14 Legislative Session.

## REPORTING OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at [http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/.](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/)]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to conduct a recodification of s. 48.981, Stats., Wisconsin's child abuse and child neglect reporting requirements to reorganize the statute in a logical manner, renumber and retitle certain subsections, consolidate related provisions, modernize language, resolve ambiguities in language, and make other necessary organizational changes. The committee was also directed to: recommend changes to current law regarding who is required to report suspected abuse or neglect of children and the circumstances under which such a report is mandated; and study the reporting of suspected abuse of students at institutions of higher education.

Membership of the Special Committee, appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot, consisted of two Senators, two Representatives, and eight public members. A list of the committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held four meetings on the following dates:

July 12, 2012  
September 6, 2012  
October 11, 2012  
December 4, 2012

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its January 16, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce the following legislation:

- 2013 Senate Bill 18, relating to recodification of the child abuse and neglect reporting law; making probation agents, parole agents, and certain employees, contractors, and volunteers of schools and institutions of higher education mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect; requiring training for certain mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect; definitions of physical injury and neglect for purposes of mandated reporting of child abuse and neglect; requiring child protective service agencies to notify tribal agents of reports of suspected child abuse or neglect; and granting rule-making authority.

## **Actions of the Legislature**

The recommendation of the committee failed to be enacted during the 2013-14 Legislative Session.

## REVIEW OF EMERGENCY DETENTION AND ADMISSION OF MINORS UNDER CH. 51

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at [http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/.](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/)]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on Review of Emergency Detention and Admission of Minors Under Ch. 51 and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to review the following provisions in ch. 51, Stats.: (a) the appropriateness of, and inconsistencies in, the utilization of emergency detention procedures under s. 51.15, Stats., across this state, and the availability and cost of emergency detention facilities; (b) the inconsistent statutory approaches to emergency detention between Milwaukee County and other counties in the state; and (c) the inconsistent application of procedures relating to admission of minors under s. 51.13, Stats., as modified by 2005 Wisconsin Act 444.

Membership of the Special Committee was appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot. The final committee membership consisted of two Senators, two Representatives and 11 public members. A list of committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held three meetings on the following dates:

May 14, 2012

July 25, 2012

October 30, 2012

In addition, the following working groups were established and met on the following dates:

**Working Group on the Federal Emergency Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA) and Emergency Detention:** January 19, 2012

**Working Group on Circumstances That Warrant Postponement of an Emergency Detention Hearing:** January 19, 2012

**Working Group on Probable Cause Hearing Delays:** June 4, 2012

**Working Group on Emergency Detention Facilities:** August 9, 2012

**Working Group on Medical Assistance Eligibility for Incarcerated Persons:** August 28, 2012

## **Actions of the Joint Legislative Council**

At its January 16, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce the following legislation:

- 2013 Senate Bill 125 and 2013 Assembly Bill 437, relating to disabled offender recidivism reduction pilot programs, and making an appropriation.
- 2013 Senate Bill 126 and 2013 Assembly Bill 435, relating to admission of minors for inpatient treatment.
- 2013 Senate Bill 127 and 2013 Assembly Bill 360, relating to emergency detention, involuntary commitment, and privileged communications and information.
- 2013 Senate Bill 128 and 2013 Assembly Bill 436, relating to requiring county community programs board appointees to include consumers, family members of consumers, law enforcement personnel, and hospital employees or representatives and increasing the size of county community programs boards.

## **Actions of the Legislature**

2013 Assembly Bill 360 became 2013 Wisconsin Act 158 and 2013 Assembly Bill 435 became 2013 Wisconsin Act 161 during the 2013-14 Legislative Session. A copy of Acts 158 and 435 and a memorandum describing the Acts are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>. The remaining recommendations failed to be enacted during the 2013-14 Legislative Session.



## STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/>.]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Special Committee on State-Tribal Relations is a permanent committee of the Joint Legislative Council established under s. 13.83 (3), Stats. The committee is directed by statute to:

...study issues related to American Indians and the American Indian tribes and bands in this state and develop specific recommendations and legislative proposals relating to these issues.

The membership of the committee, appointed by the Joint Legislative Council, consists of not fewer than six nor more than 12 legislator members of the Senate and Assembly, including at least one member of the majority party and at least one member of the minority party from each house, and not fewer than six nor more than 11 members selected from names submitted by the federally recognized American Indian tribes and bands in this state (tribes) or the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council (GLITC), including not more than one member based on the recommendation of any tribe or GLITC. The committee is assisted by a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) composed of a representative of each of the following state departments: Children and Families; Health Services; Justice; Natural Resources; Public Instruction; Revenue; Transportation; and Workforce Development. A list of the committee membership and the TAC membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The 2012-14 Special Committee held three meetings on the following dates:

July 18, 2012 (Menominee Indian Reservation)  
September 25, 2012 (Red Cliff Indian Reservation)  
November 9, 2012 (Oneida Indian Reservation)

The Special Committee will be reappointed, with a new membership, and continue its work through the 2014 interim, reporting to the 2015-16 Legislature.

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its February 13, meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce the following legislation:

- 2013 Assembly Bill 30, relating to the transportation in this state of game taken in another state or on Indian land.
- 2013 Assembly Bill 31, relating to allowing American Indian tribes and bands to insure property under the local government property insurance fund.

- 2013 Assembly Bill 32, relating to tribal treatment facility participation in the intoxicated driver program.

### **Actions of the Legislature**

2013 Assembly Bill 30 became 2013 Wisconsin Act 85 and 2013 Assembly Bill 32 became 2013 Wisconsin Act 246 during the 2013-14 Legislative Session. A copy of Acts 85 and 246 and a memorandum describing the Acts are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>. The remaining recommendation failed to be enacted during the 2013-14 Legislative Session.

## SUPERVISED RELEASE AND DISCHARGE OF SEXUALLY VIOLENT PERSONS

[A summary of the Special Committee's meetings, materials, and membership, as well as the final report for the Special Committee, are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/>.]

### Summary of Committee Activity

The Joint Legislative Council established the Special Committee on Supervised Release and Discharge of Sexually Violent Persons and appointed the chairperson by an April 24, 2012 mail ballot. The committee was directed to review the current process for granting supervised release and discharging persons who have been committed as sexually violent persons under ch. 980, Stats. The committee was specifically directed to: determine what level of judicial input regarding the determination whether to grant a sexually violent person supervised release or discharge from a civil commitment under ch. 980 is appropriate; review the criteria for determining whether a person is fit for supervised release and determine whether this criteria should be modified; and review the criteria for determining whether a person should be discharged from his or her civil commitment to determine whether the criteria are appropriate.

Membership of the Special Committee, appointed by a May 31, 2012 mail ballot, consisted of three Senators, two Representatives, and nine public members. A list of the committee membership can be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Special Committee held four meetings on the following dates:

August 8, 2012

September 19, 2012

October 4, 2012

November 14, 2012

### Actions of the Joint Legislative Council

At its January 16, 2013 meeting, the Joint Legislative Council voted to introduce the following legislation:

- 2013 Assembly Bill 28, relating to criteria for supervised release from commitment as sexually violent persons, placement of females committed as sexually violent persons, permitted outings under direct supervision for individuals on supervised release, and supervised release and discharge of persons committed as sexually violent persons.

## **Actions of the Legislature**

2013 Assembly Bill 28 became 2013 Wisconsin Act 84 during the 2013-14 Legislative Session. A copy of Act 84 and a memorandum describing the Act are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc>.

## SYMPOSIA SERIES ON STATE INCOME TAX REFORM INFORMATION

[A summary of the Steering Committee meetings, materials, and membership, as well as a summary of the symposia conducted by the Steering Committee, are available at <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc/>.]

### Summary of Committee Activity

In April 2012, Senator Mary Lazich and Representative Joan Ballweg, Co-Chairs of the Joint Legislative Council, created a steering committee to develop a symposia series on state income tax reform information. Chaired by Representative Robin Vos and Vice-Chaired by Representative Dale Kooyenga, the committee was provided with the following assignment:

The steering committee is directed to: conduct information symposia and develop recommendations regarding Wisconsin's income tax code. The committee shall: review Wisconsin's current income tax code, the income tax codes of other states, and previously proposed methods for state tax code reform; consider the social and economic effects of tax code reforms as applied to individual and corporate taxpayers as well as the fiscal effects on state revenues; and develop recommendations, in the form of a committee report, for income tax reform that would improve economic growth for residents and businesses in the State of Wisconsin.

A list of membership of the Steering Committee may be found in the **Appendix** to this report.

The Steering Committee held an organizational meeting on June 26, 2012, and conducted three symposiums on the following dates:

July 25, 2012

September 6, 2012

October 18, 2012

LCR 2012-01, *Symposia Series on State Income Tax Reform Information*, provides a summary of the symposia series and the recommendations received by the Steering Committee. A motion before the Steering Committee to approve the committee report failed on a vote of Ayes, 4; Noes, 4.



## APPENDIX

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to review 911 public safety communications in Wisconsin and develop legislation as needed to strengthen and improve the system. The Special Committee shall study: (a) creation of a statewide entity to provide coordination and long-term planning for the system; (b) existing funding sources and projected costs of the system; (c) the training curriculum and requirements for 911 dispatch personnel; (d) establishment of a minimum 911 service standard; (e) methods to upgrade multi-line telephone system technology to enable responders to locate calls originating from large or multi-location facilities; and (f) best practices around the country for potential implementation in Wisconsin.

**16 MEMBERS:** 2 Representatives; 2 Senators; and 12 Public Members.

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to develop legislation to create and enhance opportunities for both lower and higher achieving students in high school. The committee shall: evaluate current options available to high school students for both career and technical education and post-secondary enrollment, including the Youth Options Program; examine both career and technical education and post-secondary enrollment options available to high school students in other states; and determine how to promote coordination between high schools, technical colleges, universities, and employers to ensure that high school students have the skills necessary to meet the workforce needs of employers in this state.

**19 MEMBERS:** 1 Representatives; 4 Senators; and 14 Public Members.

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The committee is directed, pursuant to s. 13.83 (1), Stats., to (a) review remedial legislation based on nonsubstantive changes recommended by agencies; (b) review court decisions and opinions of the Attorney General which state that a statute is unconstitutional, ambiguous or otherwise in need of revision; (c) review Legislative Reference Bureau correction bills; (d) review suggestions for major codifications and revisions of the statutes; and (e) perform functions related to interstate compacts and agreements.

**10 MEMBERS:** 4 Senators and 6 Representatives.

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to review and develop legislation to clarify the statutes regarding guardianship, protective placement, involuntary commitment, and involuntary treatment as they apply to vulnerable adults with a dementia diagnosis who may or may not have a co-occurring psychiatric diagnosis.

**16 MEMBERS:** 2 Representatives; 2 Senators; and 12 Public Members.

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**10 MEMBERS:** 1 Representative; and 9 Public Members.

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to study current law relating to permanency for children under the age of eight who are placed or at risk of being placed outside of their home, such as in foster care, to determine whether modifications could be made to reduce the length of time it takes to achieve permanency and to improve outcomes for these children. The committee shall also determine how current law may be modified to encourage the placement of younger children with a relative as an option for permanency or support.

**16 MEMBERS:** 2 Representatives; 1 Senator; and 13 Public Members.

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## Reporting of Child Abuse and Child Neglect

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to conduct a recodification of s. 48.981, Stats., Wisconsin's child abuse and child neglect reporting requirements to reorganize the statute in a logical manner, renumber and retitle certain subsections, consolidate related provisions, modernize language, resolve ambiguities in language, and make other necessary organizational changes. The committee shall also: recommend changes to current law regarding who is required to report suspected abuse or neglect of children and the circumstances under which such a report is mandated; and study the reporting of suspected abuse of students at institutions of higher education.

**12 MEMBERS:** 2 Representatives; 2 Senators; and 8 Public Members.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF:** Anna Henning and David Moore, Staff Attorneys; and Julie Learned, Support Staff.

# Special Committee on Reporting of Child Abuse and Child Neglect

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Subcommittee is directed to review s. 48.981, Stats., relating to the reporting of child abuse and child neglect; make recommendations to recodify the section; and consider whether provisions of the section should be updated or reorganized.

**4 MEMBERS:** 1 Senator; and 3 Public Members.

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# Review of Emergency Detention and Admission of Minors Under Chapter 51

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to review the following provisions in ch. 51, Stats.: (a) the appropriateness of, and inconsistencies in, the utilization of emergency detention procedures under s. 51.15, Stats., across this state, and the availability and cost of emergency detention facilities; (b) the inconsistent statutory approaches to emergency detention between Milwaukee County and other counties in the state; and (c) the inconsistent application of procedures relating to admission of minors under s. 51.13, Stats., as modified by 2005 Wisconsin Act 444.

**15 MEMBERS:** 2 Senators; 2 Representatives; and 11 Public Members.

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STUDY ASSIGNMENT: The Special Committee is directed to study issues relating to American Indians and the American Indian tribes and bands in this state and develop specific recommendations and legislative proposals relating to these issues.

[s. 13.83 (3), Stats.]

17 MEMBERS: 5 Representatives; 2 Senators; and 10 Public Members.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF: David L. Lovell, Senior Analyst, David Moore, Staff Attorney, and Julie Learned, Support Staff.

# State-Tribal Relations

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**ASSIGNMENT:** Established pursuant to s. 13.83 (3) (f), Stats., to assist the Special Committee on State-Tribal Relations in performing its statutory functions.

**8 MEMBERS:** One representative designated by the following departments: Children and Families; Health Services; Justice; Natural Resources; Public Instruction; Revenue; Transportation; and Workforce Development.



# Supervised Release and Discharge of Sexually Violent Persons

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**STUDY ASSIGNMENT:** The Special Committee is directed to review the current process for granting supervised release and discharging persons who have been committed as sexually violent persons under ch. 980, Stats. The committee shall: determine what level of judicial input regarding the determination whether to grant a sexually violent person supervised release or discharge from a civil commitment under ch. 980 is appropriate; review the criteria for determining whether a person is fit for supervised release and determine whether this criteria should be modified; and review the criteria for determining whether a person should be discharged from his or her civil commitment to determine whether the criteria are appropriate.

**14 MEMBERS:** 2 Representatives; 3 Senators; and 9 Public Members.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF:** Katie Bender-Olson and Michael Queensland, Staff Attorneys; and Kelly Mautz, Support Staff.



## Steering Committee for Symposia Series on State Income Tax

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**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT:** The steering committee is directed to: conduct information symposia and develop recommendations regarding Wisconsin's income tax code. The committee shall: review Wisconsin's current income tax code, the income tax codes of other states, and previously proposed methods for state tax code reform; consider the social and economic effects of tax code reforms as applied to individual and corporate taxpayers as well as the fiscal effects on state revenues; and develop recommendations, in the form of a committee report, for income tax reform that would improve economic growth for residents and businesses in the State of Wisconsin.

**8 MEMBERS:** 5 Representatives; and 3 Senators.

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