# STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

# **Eighty-Ninth Regular Session**

WEDNESDAY, October 24, 1990

The chief clerk makes the following entries under the above date:

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 86-246

Relating to retraining and decertification requirements and procedures for law enforcement and jail officers.

Nonconcur in the objection of the committee on Family Law and Corrections:

Ayes: (9) Noes: (1)

JOHN ANTARAMIAN Assembly Chairperson

# ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Read and referred:

#### **Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-74**

Relating to prior review of long-term care facility bed additions and capital expenditures.

Submitted by Department of Health and Social Services.

To committee on Health. Referred on October 24, 1990.

#### Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-92

Relating to security of payments to milk producers. Submitted by Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

To committee on Agriculture.

Referred on October 24, 1990.

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-105

Relating to telecommunication and CATV service. Submitted by Department of Revenue. To committee on Ways and Means. Referred on October 19, 1990.

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-129

Relating to school district standards. Submitted by Department of Public Instruction. To committee on Education. Referred on October 19, 1990.

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-156

Relating to alcohol and other drug abuse programs.

Submitted by Department of Public Instruction. To committee on Education. Referred on October 19, 1990.

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-161

Relating to defibrillation by emergency medical technicians-basic.

Submitted by Department of Health and Social Services.

To committee on Health. Referred on October 24, 1990.

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-173

Relating to licensing of emergency medical technicians (EMTs)-intermediate and approval of operational plans for using EMTs-intermediate.

Submitted by Department of Health and Social Services.

To committee on Health.

Referred on October 24, 1990.

# Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 90-177

Relating to injury prevention and control grants. Submitted by Department of Health and Social Services.

To committee on Health. Referred on October 19, 1990.

# COMMUNICATIONS

October 9, 1990

Mr. Thomas T. Melvin Assembly Chief Clerk Suite 402, I East Main St. P.O. Box 8952 Madison, WI 53708

Mr. Donald J. Schneider Senate Chief Clerk Suite 402, 1 East Main St. P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707

Dear Messrs. Melvin and Schneider:

I am pleased to submit the attached "Feasibility Study for a State Recreation area in the Menomonee River Valley - Milwaukee County". This report is intended to satisfy the mandate given the Department of Natural Resources in 1989 Wisconsin Act 31.

While this report was dated June 29, 1990, submission was delayed until now with the blessing of Senator Brian Burke (author of the amendment).

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Any questions on the content of the plan should be directed to Gloria McCutcheon, at our South East District Headquarters, phone (414) 263-8510.

> Sincerely, C. D. BESADNY Secretary

> > October 15, 1990

Thomas Melvin Assembly Chief Clerk Suite 402, I East Main St. P.O. Box 8952 Madison, WI 53708

### Dear Tom:

Pursuant to Act 339, Laws of 1987, "Research and Evaluation of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Programs", I am sending you the Interim Report prepared by our contractor, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Center for Health Policy and Program Evaluation. Staff of the Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse are in the process of examining the document and will follow-up on any areas of concern raised in the report. The final report will be prepared and published by December 1991. If you have any questions, you may contact Dr. Paul Moberg, Project Director, 263-1304, or Michael Quirke, Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, 266-7584. Additional copies are being made for distribution.

> Sincerely, PATRICIA A. GOODRICH Secretary

DATE: October 16, 1990

- TO: Governor Tommy G. Thompson Senate and Assembly Chief Clerks
- FROM: Kenneth A. Shaw
- RE: Required Reports

Wisconsin Act 31, Section 3055, requires the University of Wisconsin System to send reports to the Governor and the Legislature. In compliance with that requirement, the Board of Regents approved the following reports on October 5, 1990 for transmittal to you:

Faculty Recruitment and Retention Statistics and Related Reporting Requirements;

Report on 1989 Faculty Fringe Benefits; and

Study of Cost of Living Adjustments of Faculty Salaries.

DATE: September 25, 1990

### TO: BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AND OTHER REGENTS

- FROM: Katharine C. Lyall Executive Vice President
- RE: Report on 1989 Faculty Fringe Benefits

Attached is a report on 1989 faculty fringe benefits in the UW System compared to two sets of peer groups: The public Big Ten universities and UW-Madison's salary peer group. This report is required by s. 3055(1)(h)6 of 1989 Act 31 as a follow-up to legislative discussions about University of Wisconsin faculty and staff catch-up needs. It is based on information and comparisons of the value and cost of six types of benefits provided by Hewitt Associates.

The findings are that:

- \* The value and cost of benefits provided to UW faculty is average among peer universities. There is no basis for believing that Wisconsin's fringe benefits make up for lower than average faculty salaries.
- \* The UW system pays more than its peers for faculty retirement and disability benefits but less than its peers for medical benefits.
- \* The UW System, together with the University of Illinois and Ohio State University, are the only institutions that have plans designed and operated by state government which pool faculty with all other state employees. If Wisconsin wishes to deliver more value for the same or smaller cost, it could explore the possibility of establishing or enabling the Regents to establish separate retirement disability plans for UW faculty and staff. Regents could also be given the same choice that local governmental units have annually to opt into or out of the group insurance plans offered by the state.
- DATE: September 26, 1990
- TO: BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AND ALL REGENTS
- FROM: Katharine C. Lyall Executive Vice President
- RE: Study of Cost of Living Adjustment of Faculty Salaries

The 1989 Wisconsin Act 31, section 3055 (1)(h), requires that the Board of Regents report on a comparison of cost-of-living differences within the regions of the United States from which we recruit faculty. The attached study was prepared to meet that reporting requirement.

The federal government no longer provides regional data that can be used for adjusting salaries. Some nongovernmental groups do gather information which purports to measure differences in living costs. We have identified and reviewed in this study three such sources, but none of them emerges as an appropriate cost of living index for adjusting faculty salaries. Nevertheless, you will notice that adjustments by the available cost of living indexes, in the context of a peer comparison approach, do not alter the basic conclusion that the UW System faculty needed a pay adjustment in 1989-90 in order to remain competitive.

The System-wide Faculty and Academic Staff compensation Advisory Group has reviewed this study and has recommended that no adjustment for living costs is preferable to using an unreliable cost of living adjustment in computing 1991-93 competitive salary needs.