STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninety-First Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

Tuesday, June 1, 1993

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senator Farrow.

The Chair, with unanimous consent, asked that the proper entries be made in the journal.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on State Government Operations and Corrections reports and recommends:

CONNER, LEROY E., Jr., of Sun Prairie, as Administrator of the Division of Emergency Government, to serve for the term ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

Confirmation:

Ayes, 5 - Senators Drzewiecki, Lasee, Schultz, Moen and Helbach;

Noes, 0 -- None.

Gary Drzewiecki Chair

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS State of Wisconsin

Legislative Audit Bureau

May 27, 1993

To the Honorable the Legislature:

We have completed an evaluation of the use of child caring institutions to provide care and treatment to abused, neglected, and delinquent youth, as directed by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. Thirty-eight programs offered by 30 agencies, both not-for-profit and proprietary, provide care to over 1,500 youth annually. In 1992, estimated costs were \$39.7 million.

Some county officials, concerned that child careing institution expenditures increased 57.3 percent between 1988 and 1992, have questioned whether increases in institution rates have been excessive. Rate increases appear, however, to be the result of inflationary increases in salaries, insurance and other items, and of county demand for expanded programs to treat increasingly difficult youth. Since nearly one-half of the expenditure increase is attributable to an increase in the number of youth placed in institutions, it is more likely that spending can be limited by developing less expensive community-based treatment programs for these youth.

Most counties use care in deciding when to recommend institutional care to the judges who decide on out-of-home placements. However, some counties could improve their placement process by more thoroughly assessing each youth's problems and more carefully selecting the most appropriate institutional program from the various combinations of services and price available.

Finally, we found that opinions differ on what institutions should be expected to accomplish. Little follow-up is done to determine whether institutional programs are effective. Counties could do more evaluation by setting specific service goals and then requiring the institutions to analyze results, or by doing it themselves.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by staff of the Department of Health and Social Services, counties, and child caring institutions and by members of the Wisconsin-Association of Family and Children's Agencies. A response from Milwaukee County is Appendix II.

Sincerely, Dale Cattanach State Auditor

SENATE CLEARINGHOUSE ORDERS

The committee on Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-88

Relating to procedures for handling complaints involving unlicensed practice by credential holders.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-131

Relating to the procedures and requirements for making and collecting annual assessments for the cemetery consumer protection fund established in s. 440.92 (8), Stats., and for reviewing applications, investigating claims, approving and denying applications and making reimbursements to consumers from the fund.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-204

Relating to fees for examinations and reexaminations, fees for proctoring examinations and refund fees.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-206

Relating to disbursement of trust funds, self-dealing, inspection and disclosure duties, confidentiality of offers to purchase, definition of adverse facts and approved forms.

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No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 93-59

Relating to the business development initiative program.

No action taken.

George Petak Chair

The committee on Education reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 92-116

Relating to the reasonable accommodation of students' religious beliefs.

No action taken.

Barbara Lorman Chair State of Wisconsin Revisor of Statutes Bureau

June 1, 1993

To the Honorable the Legislature:

The following rules have been published and are effective:

Clearinghouse Rule 89-96 effective June 1, 1993. Clearinghouse Rule 92-26 effective June 1, 1993.

Clearinghouse Rule 92-75 effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-93 effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-94 effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-103 part effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-103 part effective July 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-156 effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-164 effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-167 effective June 1, 1993.
Clearinghouse Rule 92-168 effective June 1, 1993.

Clearinghouse Rule 92-46 effective June 1, 1993.

Clearinghouse Rule 92-170 effective June 1, 1993. Clearinghouse Rule 92-171 effective June 1, 1993. Clearinghouse Rule 92-190 effective June 1, 1993.

Clearinghouse Rule 92-224 effective June 1, 1993.

Sincerely, GARY L. POULSON Deputy Revisor

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Farrow, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, June 2, 1993.

10:01 A.M.