

FRIDAY, July 17, 1998

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

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 95–223

Relating to the remediation of soil contamination through landspreading.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 97–131

Relating to emission limitations for motor vehicles. Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Environment**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 97–146

Relating to the slow-no-wake speed restriction on Tombeau lake, Walworth county. Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–020

Relating to commercial fishing in the Wisconsin–Minnesota boundary waters. Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–044

Relating to implementation of the automated license issuance system. Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–052

Relating to private onsite wastewater treatment system replacement and rehabilitation grant program. Submitted by Department of Commerce. Report received from Agency, July 13, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–056

Relating to the administration of the forest crop law and the managed forest law.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–057

Relating to the practice of funeral directors. Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing. Report received from Agency, July 10, 1998. To committee on **Consumer Affairs**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–058

Relating to adopting additional annuity mortality tables. Submitted by Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. Report received from Agency, July 3, 1998. To committee on **Insurance, Securities and Corporate**

Policy.

Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–061

Relating to the mining economic development grants and loan program. Submitted by Department of Commerce. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998.

To committee on Small Business and Economic Development.

Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–062

Relating to the Wisconsin development fund. Submitted by Department of Commerce. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Small Business and Economic Development**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–063

Relating to the rural economic development fund. Submitted by Department of Commerce. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998.

To committee on Small Business and Economic Development.

Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–064

Relating to the minority business finance program. Submitted by Department of Commerce. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Small Business and Economic Development**.

Referred on July 17, 1998.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 98–066

Relating to fees for waterway and wetland permit decisions.

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources. Report received from Agency, July 7, 1998. To committee on **Natural Resources**. Referred on July 17, 1998.

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Department of Corrections Madison

June 29, 1998

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This is the annual report on Prison Industries for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1997, as required by *Wisconsin Statutes* 303.018. This report includes the cash balance of each industry and the amount of wood furniture and printing state agencies purchased from Prison Industries.

The cash deficit decreased by \$219,106 (from -\$1,445,109 to 1\$1,225,913) in fiscal year 1997. Total assets of plant, equipment and inventories of \$9,245,237 exceed the cash deficit by \$8,109,324.

See Appendix A for a summary of the cash balance for each industry and the overall financial condition of Prison Industries.

State agencies purchased \$39,625,006 in printing from all sources in FY97. Of that amount \$1,302,154 or 3.3% was purchased from Prison Industries. State printing bulletins now require that all forms for which Prison Industries has negotiated a contract be purchased from Prison Industries.

The total amount of purchases made by state agencies for wood furniture is no longer available because, due to an accounting policy change, agencies are only required to identify a purchase for wood furniture by a specific object code if it exceeds \$5,000. State agencies reported purchases of \$399,172 for wood furniture in FY97. However, Prison Industries reported the sale of \$618,373 of wood furniture to state agencies, which is higher than the amount reported by state agencies because purchases of less than \$5,000 are also included in the amount reported by Prison Industries. Appendix B provides comparisons with FY96 for printing and wood furniture.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN Secretary, DOC

MARK BUGHER Secretary, DOA

State of Wisconsin Department of Corrections Madison

July 3, 1998

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Re: CLAIMS UNDER SECTION 227.485 AND 814.245, WISCONSIN STATUTES.

The Department of Corrections has no claims under the above to report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998. Our legal counsel personnel have reviewed settlements during FY 98 and have determined that none apply to ss. 227.485 and 814.245 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

> Sincerely, *MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN* Secretary, DOC

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau Madison

July 8, 1998

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

We recently completed a financial audit of the Mendota and Winnebago Mental Health Institutes for the period July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997. The audit was requested by the Department of Health and Family Services to comply with requirements of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

We were able to express an unqualified opinion on each Institute's financial statements. We noted that on an accrual basis, Mendota Mental Health Institute had net income of \$676,233, and Winnebago Mental Health Institute had net income of \$1,209,348. This is a considerable improvement over the prior year's combined deficit of \$3,921,141 and other past deficits. A major reason for the past deficits was the Institutes' past inability to receive full reimbursement from the Medical Assistance program for care provided to eligible children. Beginning in April 1997, the Department was able to obtain full reimbursement for such care.

Our audit report discusses the improved fiscal status of the Institutes. To address matters involving the Institutes' internal control structure, we have also prepared a separate management letter for the Department of Health and Family Services.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by Department of Health and Family Services staff during our audit.

> Respectfully submitted, JANICE MUELLER State Auditor

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Madison

July 9, 1998

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report is transmitted as required by sec. 20.002(11)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under sec. 13.172(3) Stats.), and confirms that the Department of Administration has found it necessary to exercise the temporary reallocation of balances" authority provided by this section in order to meet payment responsibilities and cover resulting negative balances during the month of June, 1998.

On June 19, 1998 the <u>Wisconsin Petroleum Inspection</u> <u>Fund</u> balance was -\$6.05 million. This shortfall continued until June 25, 1998 when the balance reached \$2.49 million. This shortfall was due to the timing of revenues.

On June 1, 1998 the <u>Wisconsin Health Education Loan</u> <u>Repayment Fund</u> balance was -\$5 thousand. This shortfall continued until June 29, 1998 when the balance reached \$20 thousand. This shortfall was due to the timing of revenues.

The Wisconsin Petroleum Inspection and Health Education Loan Repayment Fund shortfalls were not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitation and did not exceed the balances of the Funds available for interfund borrowing.

The distribution of interest earnings to investment pool participants is based on the average daily balance in the pool and each fund's share. Therefore, the monthly calculation by the State Controller's Office will automatically reflect the use of these temporary reallocations of balance authority.

> Sincerely, *MARK D. BUGHER* Secretary, DOA

July 10, 1998

Mr. Charles R. Sanders Assembly Chief Clerk 1 East Main Street, Suite 402 Madison, WI 53702

Dear Charles:

Enclosed is a copy of the <u>General Report of the Joint</u> <u>Legislative Council to the 1997 Legislature</u>, prepared and submitted pursuant to s. 13.81 (3), Stats. This General Report also incorporates additional information relating to legislative actions on Council proposals that was previously presented to the Legislature in the form of the separate <u>Legislative Council Digest</u>. The <u>Digest</u> has been discontinued.

I would appreciate your noting in the <u>Assembly Journal</u>, pursuant to s. 13.172, Stats., that this report has been delivered to your office.

Sincerely, DAVID J. STUTE Director

July 13, 1998

Mr. Charles R. Sanders Wisconsin Assembly Chief Clerk 1 East Main Street, Suite 402 Madison, WI 53708

Dear Mr. Sanders:

Enclosed please find your copy of the June 1998 Miller Park Monthly Progress Report. If you have any questions or comments on this month's report, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and input on the Miller Park project

Very truly yours, *MICHAEL R. DUCKETT, P.E., R.L.S.* Executive Director, SEWPBPD