



# STATE OF WISCONSIN

# Senate Journal

## Ninety–Third Regular Session

2:00 P.M.

MONDAY, January 6, 1997

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senator Fred Risser.

The Senate stood for the prayer which was offered by Father Del Klink of St. William’s Catholic Church in Janesville.

The National Anthem was played by the Walden III Chamber String Ensemble.

The Senate remained standing and Senator Wirch led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

### State of Wisconsin Elections Board

December 5, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the official canvass of the November 5, 1996 General Election vote for state senator along with the determination by the State Board of Canvassers of the winners.

If the State Elections Board staff can provide you with any further information or assistance, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

KEVIN J. KENNEDY

Executive Director

### Statement of Board of State Canvassers for State Senator

GENERAL ELECTION, November 5, 1996

We, Gregory J. Paradise, Chairperson of the State Elections Board, James E. Doyle, Attorney General, and Jack C. Voight, State Treasurer, constituting the Board of State Canvassers of the State of Wisconsin, certify that the attached tabular statements, as compiled from the certified returns made to the State Elections Board by the county clerks of the several counties of the state, contains a correct abstract of the total number of votes given for the election of candidates for State Senator at a General Election held in the several towns, wards, villages, and election districts in said counties on the Fifth day of November, 1996.

WE DO, THEREFORE, DETERMINE AND CERTIFY the the following candidates, having each received the greatest number of votes in their respective state senate districts, are duly elected State Senators:

Senate District	Elected
2nd	Robert L. Cowles
4th	Gwen Moore
6th	Gary R. George
8th	Alberta Darling

10th  
12th  
14th  
16th  
18th  
20th  
22nd  
24th  
26th  
28th  
30th  
32nd

Alice Clausing  
Roger Breske  
Robert T. Welch  
Chuck Chvala  
Carol A. Buettner  
Mary E. Panzer  
Robert W. Wirch  
Kevin W. Shibilski  
Fred A. Risser  
Lynn S. Adelman  
Gary Drzewiecki  
Brian D. Rude

Done in the City  
of Madison, this 26th day of  
November, 1996.

JAMES E. DOYLE

Attorney General

JACK C. VOIGHT

State Treasurer

Upon the calling of the newly elected Senators on Monday, January 6, 1997, the following appeared before the Senate took and subscribed the oath of office which was administered by the Honorable Shirley Abrahamson, Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Robert L. Cowles	Gwendolynne S. Moore
Gary R. George	Alberta Darling
Alice Clausing	Roger M. Breske
Robert Welch	Chuck Chvala
Carol A. Buettner	Mary E. Panzer
Robert W. Wirch	Kevin Shibilski
Fred A. Risser	Lynn S. Adelman
Gary F. Drzewiecki and	Brian D. Rude

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Senators Adelman, Breske, Buettner, Burke, Chvala, Clausing, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Farrow, Fitzgerald, George, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, C. Potter, Risser, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Weeden, Welch, Wineke, Wirch and Zien – 33.

Absent – None.

Absent with leave – None.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports and recommends:

**Senate Resolution 1**

Relating to: notifying the assembly and the governor that the 1997–98 senate is organized.

Introduction.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.  
Noes, 0 – None.

Read.

Considered as privileged and taken up.

**Senate Resolution 1**

Relating to: notifying the assembly and the governor that the 1997–98 senate is organized.

Senate substitute amendment 1 to **Senate Resolution 1** offered by Senator George.

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that Senate substitute amendment 1 to **Senate Resolution 1** be laid on the table.

Tabled.

The question was: Shall **Senate Resolution 1** be adopted?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Adelman, Breske, Buettner, Burke, Chvala, Clausing, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Farrow, Fitzgerald, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, C. Potter, Risser, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Weeden, Welch, Wineke, Wirch and Zien – 32.

Noes – Senator George – 1.

Absent or not voting – None.

Adopted.

The President, Fred A. Risser, the President Pro Tempore, Gwendolynne Moore, the Chief Clerk, Donald J. Schneider, and the Sergeant–At–Arms, Jon Hochkrammer. Having been duly elected by the adoption of the **Senate Resolution 1**, appeared together before the bar of the Senate, took and subscribed the oath of office which was administered by Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson.

**Senate Resolution 2**

To amend senate rules 24 and 50 (1); and to create senate rule 41 (1) (e); Relating to: the senate rules.

Introduction.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.  
Noes, 0 – None.

Read.

Considered as privileged and taken up.

**Senate Resolution 2**

To amend senate rules 24 and 50 (1); and to create senate rule 41 (1) (e); Relating to: the senate rules.

The question was: Shall **Senate Resolution 2** be adopted?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 0; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Adelman, Breske, Buettner, Burke, Chvala, Clausing, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Farrow, Fitzgerald, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, C. Potter, Risser, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Weeden, Welch, Wineke, Wirch and Zien – 32.

Noes – Senator George – 1.

Absent or not voting – None.

Adopted.

The joint committee on **Legislative Organization** reports and recommends:

**Senate Joint Resolution 1**

To create the session schedule for the 1997–1998 biennial session period.

Introduction.

Ayes, 10 – Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis, Rude, Brancel, Foti, Ladwig, Kunicki and Schneider.

Noes, 0 – None.

Read.

Considered as privileged and taken up.

**Senate Joint Resolution 1**

To create the session schedule for the 1997–1998 biennial session period.

Senate amendment 1 to **Senate Joint Resolution 1** offered by Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.

The question was: Adoption of Senate amendment 1 to **Senate Joint Resolution 1**?

Adopted.

The question was: Shall **Senate Joint Resolution 1** be adopted?

The ayes and noes were required and the vote was: ayes, 32; noes, 0; absent or not voting, 1; as follows:

Ayes – Senators Adelman, Breske, Buettner, Burke, Chvala, Clausing, Cowles, Darling, Decker, Drzewiecki, Ellis, Farrow, Fitzgerald, Grobschmidt, Huelsman, Jauch, A. Lasee, Moen, Moore, Panzer, Plache, C. Potter, Risser, Rosenzweig, Rude, Schultz, Shibilski, Weeden, Welch, Wineke, Wirch and Zien – 32.

Noes – None.

Absent or not voting – Senator George – 1.

Adopted.

Charles Chvala  
Senate Chairperson

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**State of Wisconsin  
Secretary of State**

December 11, 1996

The Honorable, The Senate:

I, DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin have been approved by the regular session of the 1995–96 legislature and duly published as required by Section 1 of **Article XII of the Constitution**:

**Enrolled Joint Resolution 21**

**Enrolled Joint Resolution 23**

**Enrolled Joint Resolution 27**

**Enrolled Joint Resolution 28**

The above resolutions appeared in the official state newspaper on the first Tuesday of August, September and October – August 6, 1996, September 3, 1996, and October 1, 1996.

Enrolled Joint Resolutions #21, 23 and 27, which passed first consideration, are due for second consideration in the 1997-98 legislature.

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that all action be immediately messaged to the Assembly.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADJOURNMENT  
HONORS AND REMARKS UNDER SPECIAL  
PRIVILEGE**

Senator Moen, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of Senator Decker's 40th Birthday.

Senator Plache, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of the Walden III Chamber String Ensemble, which included Al Clausen, Musical Director, Lindsay Smith, Lori Braun, Jenny Knoll, Laura Brantman, Jessica Shaffer and Jonathan Livingston.

Senator Plache, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of Elizabeth Erven and Ted Mastos who attended the inauguration.

Senator Wirch, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of Dorothy and Walter Wirch, his parents, his wife Mary and his children David and Julia, his sister Pat Singer and her husband David and their children Megan and Andy Singer, his Sister Lori Bernhardt and her husband Wes, his brother Gary Wirch, and his friends Al Hartog, Carol Olson, Norm Buchholz, Maureen Reed and Ron Frederick.

Senator Panzer, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of her Mother Verna Panzer, her daughter Melissa Panzer and her friends Marie Wollner, Tracy Lilly, Dr. William Nielsen, Margaret Nielsen, Judy Ficks, Snowden Ficks, Mal Hepburn, Mary Sander, Jennifer Reinert, Betty Pearson, Al Pearson, Dennis Deppisch, Georgia Mulcahy, Sheehan Donoghue, Jim Fabick, Tina Gonnering and Jill Reiland.

Senator Clausung, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of her husband Howard Clausung, her daughters Brigitt and Mindy Clausung, her mother-in-law Vera Clausung, her niece Jamie Stiles, her sister and brother-in-law Dottie and Joseph Dorr and their daughter Becky, her cousins Dennis and Lillyanne O'Brien and friends David and JoAnn Knutson, John Sauer, School Superintendent and Jim Gilbertson.

Senator Rude, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of Willy and Lorraine Bushek, Ray and Connie Rude, Steve and Cheryl Morey, Russ and Suzanne Hanson, Orlando and Aleda Nordlie, Richard and Dianne Bushek, Dave and Sue Humfeld, Gary, Judy, Andrew, Nicholas, Lara, Martha and Ahna Gilbertson, Brenda, Tim, Carly and Justin Brady, Betsy Torrison, Nick Trane, Jerome and Char Gundersen, Don and Gladys Seefeldt, Phil and Joan Junghans, Karen, Erik, and Nels Rude, Greg and Renee Olson, John and Lorraine Ward, Ron and Peggy Way, Greg and Laurie Servais, Gary and Ann Ekern, Kurt and Ruth Driscoll and Kari Buros.

Senator Risser, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of Nancy Risser, Irene Anderson, Sara Risser, Lisa White, Randy White, Clinton White, Adam White, Elizabeth White and Kara Sailing.

Senator Drzewiecki, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of Julie Drzewiecki, Matthew Drzewiecki, Eric Drzewiecki, Michelle Drzewiecki, Tiffany Drzewiecki, Virginia Miller, Mary Socha, Joe Socha, Joe Wojciechowski and Isabelle Wojciechowski.

Senator Fitzgerald, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of his wife Lisa Fitzgerald.

Senator Moore, with unanimous consent, asked that when the Senate adjourn today it do so in honor of her sons Adesolu and Sowande Omokunde, her sisters Jackie Allen and Yvonne Davis, her sister-in-law Harriet McKinney, her nephew Adam McKinney, and her friend John Adamson.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Chvala, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, January 14 at 10:00 A.M. upon the conclusion of the playing of America the Beautiful.

Adjourned.

3:29 P.M.