



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninety–Third Regular Session

10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, August 21, 1997

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senator Fred Risser.

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

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF RESOLUTIONS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Read and referred:

Senate Joint Resolution 30

Relating to: proclaiming Statehood Day Weekend.

By Senators Risser, C. Potter, Zien, Moen, Burke, Grobschmidt, Breske, Rude, Plache, Jauch, Rosenzweig, Drzewiecki, Huelsman, Wineke, Roessler, Schultz, Fitzgerald and Weeden; cosponsored by Representatives Freese, Hasenohrl, Hanson, R. Potter, Hahn, Dobyns, Goetsch, Green, Vrakas, Gronemus, Harsdorf, J. Lehman, Musser, Notestein, Porter, Ladwig, Gard, Boyle, Bock, Huber, Murat, Sykora, Walker, Staskunas, Otte, Urban, Plouff, Seratti and Albers.

To committee on **Senate Organization**.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

Read first time and referred:

Senate Bill 275

Relating to: regulation of grain dealers and grain warehouse keepers.

By Senators Shibilski, Welch and Zien; cosponsored by Representatives Sykora, Ott, Gronemus, Springer and Zukowski.

To committee on **Agriculture and Environmental Resources**.

Senate Bill 276

Relating to: the regulation of athletic trainers, creating an athletic trainers affiliated credentialing board, granting rule–making authority and providing a penalty.

By Senators Burke, Breske, Risser, Roessler and Wineke; cosponsored by Representatives Foti, Albers, Cullen, Green, Hanson, Kelso, Kreibich, Ladwig, Lazich, M. Lehman, Murat, Ott, Porter, Schafer, Sykora and Urban.

To committee on **Economic Development, Housing and Government Operations**.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration

August 13, 1997

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, 1997.

On July 1, 1997 the **Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund** balance was –\$8 thousand. This shortfall continued until July 9, 1997 when the balance reached \$9 thousand. On July 29, 1997 the balance was –\$12 thousand. This shortfall continued through the end of the month. These shortfalls were due to the timing of revenues.

On July 22, 1997, **The Wisconsin Petroleum Inspection Fund** balance was –\$2.41 million. This shortfall continued until July 24, 1997 when the balance reached \$6.11 million. This shortfall was due to the timing of revenues.

The Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment and Petroleum Inspection Fund shortfalls were not in excess of the \$400 million ceiling 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

Referred to the committee on **Finance**

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration

August 15, 1997

The Honorable, The Legislature:

On behalf of the Council on Small, Veteran and Minority Business Opportunities, I submit the Council’s 1996–97 Annual Report.

The Council continues to work to include Wisconsin small, veteran, and minority business in the State of Wisconsin’s purchasing activities. Since they are a diverse group, the Council recognizes that special efforts are essential in establishing working relationships with them. No one solution is applicable.

During the past year, the Council continued the practice of critiquing state procurement policy drafts, reviewing standard purchasing reports and proposed legislation, and had presentations at three of its meetings. The Council continues to make recommendations in an attempt to ensure that procurement processes are simplified and resources are available to potential bidders.

We commend the Division of State Agency Services for its responsiveness to Council recommendations on these issues.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINE TODD, CHAIRPERSON
Council on Small, Veteran and Minority Business Opportunities

**State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration**

August 13, 1997

The Honorable, The Legislature:

[Chapter 34, Laws of 1979](#), requires that when the Department of Administration maintains an office in Washington, DC, for the purpose of promoting federal/state cooperation, it should submit a report detailing the activities of the office and reporting the status of federal legislation of concern to the Legislature and other state agencies (Wis.Stats. 16.548(2)).

The report for the period April 1, 1997, through June 30, 1997, is attached.

Sincerely,

MARK D. BUGHER
Secretary

**State of Wisconsin
Ethics Board**

August 19, 1997

To the Honorable the Senate:

At the direction of s. [13.685\(7\)](#), *Wisconsin Statutes*, I am furnishing you with the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board that employ one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules, and notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers. For each recently registered organization I have included the organization's description of the general area of legislative or administrative action that it attempts to influence and the name of each licensed lobbyist that the organization has authorized to act on its behalf.

Organizations recently registered:

Below are the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board as employing one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules.

Customers First! Coalition

Subject(s): Seek to influence legislation and rules relating to the restructuring or deregulation of Wisconsin's electric industry.

Cullen, Lee

Pawlisch, Curt

Johnson Brothers Beverages

Subject(s): Lobby legislature on Three Tire Liquor Distribution System.

Gerrard, M William

Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:

The following organizations previously registered with the Ethics Board have authorized to act on their behalf these additional licensed lobbyists:

Grocers Assn, Wisconsin

Kussow, Michelle

Termination of lobbying authorizations:

The following individuals are no longer authorized to lobby on behalf of the organizations listed below, as of the dates indicated.

Bar of Wisconsin, State

Brown, George 8/14/97

Blue Cross/Blue Shield United of Wisconsin

Weber, Taisha 8/14/97

Delta Dental Plan of Wisconsin, Inc

Jentz, Robert 8/15/97

Health Insurance Assn of America

Jentz, Robert 8/19/97

Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club

Selig-Prieb, Wendy 8/14/97

Also available from the Wisconsin Ethics Board are reports identifying the amount and value of time state agencies have spent to affect legislative action and reports of expenditures for lobbying activities filed by the organizations that employ lobbyists.

Sincerely,

R. ROTH JUDD
Executive Director

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Risser, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, August 26 at 10:00 A.M..

Adjourned.

10:01 A.M.