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Ninety-Sixth Regular Session

FRIDAY, October 17, 2003

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

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 297** offered by committee on **Natural Resources**.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 317** offered by Representative Gundrum.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 411** offered by committee on **Natural Resources**.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 445** offered by committee on **Natural Resources**.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 447** offered by committee on **Insurance**.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 508** offered by joint committee on **Finance**.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 530** offered by committee on **Natural Resources**.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 03–003

Relating to interconnecting distributed generation facilities to the electric utility system.

Submitted by Public Service Commission. Report received from Agency, October 8, 2003. To committee on **Energy and Utilities**. Referred on October 17, 2003.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 03–010

Relating to voluntarily relinquishing custody of a newborn who is 72 hours old or younger.

Submitted by Department of Health and Family Services. Report received from Agency, October 8, 2003. To committee on **Children and Families**. Referred on October 17, 2003.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Bill 600

Relating to: election administration, voter registration and voting requirements and procedures and granting rule–making authority.

By committee on Campaigns and Elections, by request of Elections Board.

To committee on Campaigns and Elections.

Assembly Bill 601

Relating to: state contribution towards certain federally financed election administration costs and making appropriations.

By committee on Campaigns and Elections, by request of Elections Board.

To committee on Campaigns and Elections.

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Madison

September 25, 2003

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report is transmitted as required by s. 20.002 (11)(f), Wisconsin Statutes, (for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172(3), Wisconsin Statutes), 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 cash balances during the month of August 2003.

On August 1, 2003, the <u>Information Technology</u> <u>Investment Fund</u> cash balance closed at its monthly low of a negative \$1.0 thousand. This negative balance continued until August 21, 2003, when the balance closed at zero. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On August 1, 2003, the <u>General Fund</u> cash balance closed at a negative \$664.6 million. The negative balance continued through August 31, 2003, when the fund cash balance closed

at a negative \$400.5 million. The General Fund closed at an intramonth low of a negative \$757.3 million on August 13, 2003.

On August 12, 2003, the <u>Agricultural Chemical Cleanup</u> <u>Fund</u> cash balance closed at its monthly low of a negative \$22.0 thousand. This negative balance continued until August 15, 2003, when the balance closed at a positive \$10.0 thousand. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On August 15, 2003, the **Tobacco Settlement Endowment Fund** cash balance closed at its monthly low of a negative \$3.7 million. This negative balance continued until August 19, 2003, when the balance closed at a zero. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

The Information Technology Investment Fund, the General Fund, the Agricultural Chemical Cleanup Fund, and the Tobacco Settlement Endowment 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, and as a result, the funds requiring the use of the authority will effectively bear the interest cost.

> Sincerely, MARC J. MAROTTA Secretary

Referred to committee on Ways and Means.

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Madison

October 10, 2003

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

This report presents statements of fund condition and

operation (budgetary basis) of the State of Wisconsin for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. This satisfies the requirements of sec. 16.40 (3), Wisconsin Statutes. Displayed are major sources of revenues and major categories of expenditures for the General Fund and other funds compared to the prior year.

The General Fund has an undesignated balance of -\$282.2 million as of the end of the fiscal year. This is \$1.412 million better than the balance of -\$283.6 million projected in 2003 Act 1. The improvement in the balance was the result of lower than expected tax revenues offset by lower than expected spending.

General-purpose revenue taxes were \$10.2 billion compared to \$10.02 billion in the prior year, an increase of \$179.5 million or 1.8 percent. This increase was \$23.8 million below the Legislative Fiscal Bureau January 2003 estimate of \$10.224 billion. General-purpose revenue expenditures, excluding fund transfers, were \$11.033 billion compared to \$11.259 billion in the prior year, a decrease of \$226.5 million or 2.0 percent.

In fiscal year 2003, the State of Wisconsin continued to devote the major share of state tax collections to assistance to local school districts, municipalities and counties. Local assistance accounted for 58.4 percent of total general purpose revenue spending. Aid payments to individuals and organizations represented 17.4 percent of total general purpose revenue expenditures. The University of Wisconsin accounted for 9.5 percent of total general purpose revenue spending and state operations spending for all other state agencies accounted for 14.7 percent of the total.

The State of Wisconsin expects to publish its comprehensive annual financial report in December of 2003. The report will be prepared under generally accepted accounting principles.

> Respectfully submitted, MARC J. MAROTTA Secretary

WILLIAM J. RAFTERY, CPA State Controller