



# STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

## Ninety-Sixth Regular Session

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MONDAY, February 16, 2004

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

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### AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 371** offered by Representative Underheim.

Assembly amendment 2 to **Assembly Bill 448** offered by committee on **Government Operations and Spending Limitations**.

Assembly amendment 3 to **Assembly Bill 448** offered by committee on **Government Operations and Spending Limitations**.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 744** offered by Representative Bies.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 774** offered by Representatives Jensen, Ziegelbauer and Gottlieb.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 87** offered by committee on **Rural Affairs**.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 103** offered by Representative Nass.

Assembly substitute amendment 2 to **Senate Bill 113** offered by Representative Jensen.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 230** offered by Representative Shilling.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 272** offered by Representative Montgomery.

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### ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

#### **Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 03-122**

Relating to titling and registration of homemade, reconstructed, or repaired salvage vehicles.

Submitted by Department of Transportation.

Report received from Agency, February 6, 2004.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Referred on February 16, 2004.

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### INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

#### **Assembly Bill 837**

Relating to: attaching the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads to the Department of Transportation, decisions related to railroad crossing protection improvements, and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Foti, Kerkman, Nass, Ladwig, Musser, Owens, Pettis, Hahn and Kreibich; cosponsored by Senators S. Fitzgerald, A. Lasee, Reynolds and Kanavas.

To committee on **Transportation**.

#### **Assembly Bill 838**

Relating to: treatment of prescription drug costs, diagnostic testing, and payments under mandated insurance coverage of treatment for nervous and mental disorders and alcoholism and other drug abuse problems, and granting rule-making authority.

By Representative J. Lehman; cosponsored by Senator Hansen.

To committee on **Insurance**.

#### **Assembly Bill 839**

Relating to: increasing the limits for insurance coverage of nervous or mental health disorders or alcoholism or other drug abuse problems.

By Representative J. Lehman; cosponsored by Senator Hansen.

To committee on **Insurance**.

#### **Assembly Bill 840**

Relating to: making various miscellaneous changes to the Health Insurance Risk-Sharing Plan, granting rule-making authority, and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Underheim, Gielow, Hahn, Townsend, Bies, Miller, Albers, Johnsrud, Balow, Van Roy, Seratti and McCormick; cosponsored by Senators Roessler and Schultz.

To committee on **Health**.

#### **Assembly Bill 841**

Relating to: various changes to the regulation of hearing instrument specialists, speech-language pathologists, and audiologists and granting rule-making authority.

By Representatives Underheim, Berceau, Kreibich, Townsend, Vrakas, Albers, Hines, Bies, Wasserman and Ott; cosponsored by Senator Kedzie.

To committee on **Health**.

#### **Assembly Bill 842**

Relating to: regulation of nursing homes, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Pettis, Rhoades, M. Williams, Gronemus, Hines, Johnsrud, Musser, Albers, Grothman, Hahn, LeMahieu, Hundertmark, Krawczyk, Olsen, Petrowski, Ott, Van Roy, Jeskewitz, Nischke, Seratti, Stone, Suder, J. Wood and D. Meyer; cosponsored by Senators Harsdorf and Reynolds.

To committee on **Aging and Long-Term Care**.

#### **Assembly Bill 843**

Relating to: the issuance of debt by natural gas and electric public utilities to finance certain environmental activities.

By Representatives Jensen, Gottlieb, Friske, Nischke, Honadel, Rhoades, Stone, Seratti, Musser, Vrakas, M. Lehman, Grothman, Taylor, McCormick, Hahn, Jeskewitz, Johnsrud, Suder, Huebsch, Olsen, Kaufert and Gunderson; cosponsored by Senators Cowles, Plale, Moore, M. Meyer, Kanavas, Wirch and Roessler.

To committee on **Energy and Utilities**.

#### **Assembly Bill 844**

Relating to: waiver of a requirement under hemophilia treatment program to apply for other coverage.

By Representatives Johnsrud, Huebsch, Hahn, Hines, McCormick, Gronemus, Plouff, Suder and Albers; cosponsored by Senators M. Meyer and Schultz.

To committee on **Health**.

#### **Assembly Bill 845**

Relating to: establishing a cancer drug repository program and requiring the exercise of rule-making authority.

By Representatives Underheim, Krawczyk, Pettis, M. Lehman, Johnsrud, Kerkman, Vruwink, Kreibich, Montgomery, Miller, Vukmir, Gunderson, Hahn, Hebl, Gielow, Hines, Plouff, Huber, Wieckert, Huebsch, Hundertmark, Bies, Townsend, Nass, Travis and McCormick; cosponsored by Senators Stepp, Roessler, Schultz, Robson, Chvala, Plale, Lassa, Kanavas, Carpenter, Zien, Welch, Coggs, Erpenbach, Brown, Wirch and A. Lasee.

To committee on **Health**.

#### **Assembly Bill 846**

Relating to: traffic regulations and traffic control devices at railroad crossings, making appropriations, and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Ainsworth, Owens, Hahn, Ott, Petrowski, Krawczyk, Gronemus, Albers, Musser, Van Roy and Gunderson; cosponsored by Senators Cowles, Roessler, A. Lasee and Schultz.

To committee on **Transportation**.

#### **Assembly Bill 847**

Relating to: the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program and granting rule-making authority.

By Representative Sinicki; cosponsored by Senator Moore.

To committee on **Education Reform**.

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The committee on **Education** reports and recommends:

#### **Assembly Bill 640**

Relating to: allowing the use of technologies other than fingerprint cards for background checks related to teacher licensing and changing a statutory reference to reflect the name change of the Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Public Instruction).

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Olsen, Towns, Nass, Hahn, Kestell, Hundertmark, Townsend, Loeffelholz, Hines, J. Lehman, A. Williams, Ziegelbauer, Plouff, Pope–Roberts, Van Akkeren and Molepske.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Olsen, Towns, Nass, Hahn, Kestell, Hundertmark, Townsend, Loeffelholz, Hines, J. Lehman, A. Williams, Ziegelbauer, Plouff, Pope–Roberts, Van Akkeren and Molepske.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

#### **Senate Bill 60**

Relating to: leasing of school property.

Concurrence:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Olsen, Towns, Nass, Hahn, Kestell, Hundertmark, Townsend, Loeffelholz, Hines, J. Lehman, A. Williams, Ziegelbauer, Plouff, Pope–Roberts, Van Akkeren and Molepske.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

*LUTHER OLSEN*

Chairperson

Committee on Education

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The committee on **Ways and Means** reports and recommends:

#### **Assembly Bill 242**

Relating to: the annual adjustment of the motor vehicle fuel tax rate.

Assembly Amendment 2 adoption:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives M. Lehman, Nass, F. Lasee, Kerkman, Lothian, W. Wood, Young, Berceau, Ziegelbauer and Morris.

Noes: 2 – Representatives J. Wood and Hahn.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 11 – Representatives M. Lehman, J. Wood, Nass, F. Lasee, Kerkman, Lothian, W. Wood, Young, Berceau, Ziegelbauer and Morris.

Noes: 1 – Representative Hahn.

To joint committee on **Finance**.

*MICHAEL LEHMAN*  
Chairperson  
Committee on Ways and Means

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## REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin  
Department of Health and Family Services  
Madison

February 12, 2004

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The Bureau of Health Information, Department of Health and Family Services, is pleased to submit to the Governor and the Legislature the *Guide to Wisconsin Hospitals, Fiscal Year 2002*. The data for this report were collected under section 153.05, Wisconsin Statutes, and are published as authorized by the requirements of section 120.21, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

The report provides summary and detailed information about fiscal, utilization, and staffing data at Wisconsin hospitals, and sets forth comparisons among hospitals of increases or decreases in gross revenues, net revenue, and expenditures. This is the last year the Department will be doing this report. Because of changes in the State law governing hospital data collection, the Wisconsin Hospital Association will be preparing and disseminating the report beginning with the 2003 data.

Sincerely,  
*HELENE NELSON*  
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Health**.

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State of Wisconsin  
Urban Open Space Foundation  
Madison

February 12, 2004

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

As you know, Wisconsin's annual grant to a nonstock, nonprofit corporation for urban land conservation (Sec. 23.0957) was awarded to Urban Open Space Foundation in 2003, and it has made an extraordinary difference in helping our Foundation accomplish its important mission.

As a grant recipient, UOSF is required each fiscal year to submit a report detailing the activities for which the grant was expended. Copies of the report are to be submitted to the "Department of Natural Resources and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature as determined by the Speaker of the Assembly or the President of the Senate." It is my pleasure to submit to you the following report.

Thank you for your important role in making this grant program available. The program is critical to promoting urban land conservation in Wisconsin through urban forest protection, water resource enhancement and other open space objectives. We at the Urban Open Space Foundation work with communities to create and revitalize public places; we're committed to helping them achieve their full natural, cultural, and economic potential through quality open space.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at the number above.

Warmest personal regards,  
*HEATHER MANN*  
Executive Director

Referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.