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WEDNESDAY, July 28, 2004

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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin

July 20, 2004

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 20(2)(a) and (b) I have appointed Senator Kedzie to the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules and removed Senator Welch.

With regards to members of the minority party, appointments are made based on the nominations of that caucus.

Sincerely,

SENATOR MARY PANZER
Senate Majority Leader

State of Wisconsin

July 22, 2004

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 20(2)(a) and (b) I have appointed Senator Welch to the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules and removed Senator Kedzie.

With regards to members of the minority party, appointments are made based on the nominations of that caucus.

Sincerely,

SENATOR MARY PANZER
Senate Majority Leader

State of Wisconsin

July 26, 2004

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 20(2)(a) and (b) I have appointed Senator Risser to the committee on Judiciary, Corrections and Privacy and removed Senator Coggs.

With regards to members of the minority party, appointments are made based on the nominations of that caucus.

Sincerely,

SENATOR MARY PANZER
Senate Majority Leader

**State of Wisconsin
Department of Revenue**

July 21, 2004

The Honorable, The Legislature:

A narrative report for the Local Appeals for Exemption from State Mandates is enclosed for your review as required by s. 66.0143(2)(c) Wis. Stats.

The Department of Revenue has attached four accompanying reports to address the statutory reporting requirements as

identified in s. 66.0143(4) Wis. Stats. These reports are presented as follows: a General Mandate Waiver Criteria (Exhibit I) was prepared for political subdivisions and provided instructions for submitting their mandate waiver requests for processing to the Department of Revenue (DOR) as the state's clearinghouse agency; a Summary Mandate Waiver Report (Exhibit II) that presents an overall number of waivers requested and their relevant disposition as reported by administering state agencies or where no state agency is responsible as determined by DOR; a State Mandate Waiver Listing (Exhibit III) that provides a brief description of each waiver request and statutory reference; and finally, a report providing a Summary of Approved Mandate Waivers and The financial Effects (Exhibit IV) as submitted by a requesting political subdivision for each waiver that was granted.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL L. MORGAN
Secretary of Revenue

State of Wisconsin

Department of Health and Family Services

July 12, 2004

The Honorable, The Senate:

As required by s. 252.04(11), Wis. Stats., enclosed is the Wisconsin Immunization Program Report. Please distribute this report to the appropriate standing committees. I wish to call your attention to the progress made in efforts to attain the goals related to immunization that are stated in the Healthiest Wisconsin 2010 Plan and Governor Doyle's Kids First Initiative.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Immunization Survey, Wisconsin ranks tenth in the nation in children completing their primary series of immunizations by two years of age. Wisconsin's coverage level is 80.3% compared to the national level of 74.8%. The success is due in large part to the collaborative efforts of our Wisconsin Immunization Program and public and private health care providers throughout the State. The Immunization Program distributes approximately \$12 million in federally funded vaccines per year to the public and private health care providers. In addition, the Immunization Program provides over \$1.5 million to local health departments, tribal health centers, and federally-qualified community health centers to implement programs targeted at high-risk families, such as holding immunization clinics on evenings and weekends that enable working parents easy access to immunization services.

The Wisconsin Immunization Registry (WIR) serves as a model immunization registry for the country. The registry is a secure Internet database that records and tracks immunization dates of Wisconsin's children, no matter where the immunization occurred. This is one of only four registries in the nation that has implemented the 12 functional standards established for registries. The registry assists health care

providers and parents in keeping children on schedule for the immunizations. This will aid them in locating records for medical appointments or for day care or school entrance where evidence of vaccination is required. Another important registry enhancement, Geographic Information System (GIS) software, will be added this summer to assist the local health departments locate areas of low immunization and be able to plan their immunization clinic sites.

Using existing Medicaid-enrolled children as an indicator for an at-risk population, the Immunization Program and Division of Health Care Financing have collaborated to establish an immunization baseline on these children. Using the WIR as the source of data, the immunization level for series complete among two-year-old Medicaid-enrolled children rose from 41% in 2002 to 65% in 2003.

The education of parents about the importance of immunization is an ongoing process. This effort was augmented in 2004 with the Governor's Hallmark Immunization Greeting Card Initiative. The card, which is co-signed by the Governor and First Lady, is mailed to all parents of newborn children and contains the message encouraging early and complete immunizations of all Wisconsin infants.

We are excited about our collaborative efforts to insure that children are adequately protected against vaccine preventable diseases. I am pleased with the progress Wisconsin is making. Our Department is committed to working with public health and health care organization to do even better in the future. Our kids deserve the absolute best from us all.

Sincerely,

HELENE NELSON
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care.**

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Secretary of State**

To the Honorable, the Senate:

<u>Bill, Joint Resolu- tion or Resolution Number</u>	<u>Act Number or Enrolled Number</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
2003 Senate Joint Resolution 6	Enrolled Joint Resolution, 53	N/A

Sincerely,
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

**State of Wisconsin
Ethics Board**

July 27, 2004

The Honorable, The Senate:

The following lobbyists have been authorized to act on behalf of the organizations set opposite their names.

For more detailed information about these lobbyists and organizations and a complete list of organizations and people authorized to lobby the 2003 session of the legislature, visit the Ethics Board's web site at <http://ethics.state.wi.us>

Anderson, David	Wisconsin World Trade Legislation Council
Bush, Daniel	United Council of UW Students Inc
Carey, Ray	CybrCollect, Inc
Glisch-Sanchez, David	United Council of UW Students Inc

Goyke, Gary	Wisconsin Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays Alliance
Goyke, Gary	Wisconsin World Trade Legislation Council
Hanson, Thomas	Primerica Financial Services
Jacquart, Steve	Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District
Martin, Waldo	Stockbridge-Munsee Community
Petak, George	Evercare
Rogowski, Michael	Evercare
Rosenzweig, Peggy	Wisconsin Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians Inc
Springer, Thomas J	Evercare
Walby, Kathleen	CybrCollect, Inc

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 organizations that employ lobbyists.

Sincerely,

R. ROTH JUDD
Director

**ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE
State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor**

July 13, 2004

The Honorable, The Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint KOEPLER, KURT, of Oshkosh, as a member of the Wisconsin Waterways Commission, to serve for the term ending March 1, 2005.

Sincerely,

JIM DOYLE
Governor

Read and referred to committee on **Environment and Natural Resources.**

**REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF
COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-040

Relating to family care; reporting and investigation of caregiver misconduct; residential care centers for children and youth, child-placing agencies, day camps for children and day care programs established by school boards; group foster care; shelter care for children; community-based residential care facilities; patient rights and resolution of grievances; hospitals; hospices; nursing homes; facilities serving people with developmental disabilities; embalming standards; reporting blood test results; and electronic benefits transfer.

Submitted by Department of Health and Family Services.
Report received from Agency, July 27, 2004.

Referred to committee on **Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care**, July 28, 2004.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-050

Relating to the SeniorCare program.
Submitted by Department of Health and Family Services.
Report received from Agency, July 26, 2004.

Referred to committee on **Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care**, July 28, 2004.

The committee on **Agriculture, Financial Institutions and Insurance** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-032

Relating to annual patients compensation fund and mediation fund fees for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004.

No action taken.

Ayes, 5 Senators Schultz, Brown, Kedzie, Hansen and Lassa.

Noes, 0 None.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-041

relating to authorization to collect a returned check fee.

Report objection recommended, Ayes 5, Noes 0.

Ayes, 5 Senators Schultz, Brown, Kedzie, Hansen and Lassa.

Noes, 0 None.

Referred to joint committee for **review of Administrative Rules**, July 28, 2004.

Dale Schultz
Chairperson

The committee on **Economic Development, Job Creation and Housing** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 03-097

Relating to exiting small dwellings and rail spindle spacing.

No action taken.

Cathy Stepp
Chairperson

The committee on **Environment and Natural Resources** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-011

Relating to hunting and trapping regulation changes.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-012

Relating to fishing on the inland, outlying, and boundary waters of Wisconsin.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-014

Relating to the snowmobile trail grant program.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-015

Relating to the administration of the brownfield site assessment grant program.

No action taken.

Neal Kedzie
Chairperson

The committee on **Labor, Small Business Development and Consumer Affairs** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-036

Relating to increasing Wisconsin's minimum wages.

Report objection recommended.

Ayes, 3 Senators Reynolds, Kedzie and Zien.

Noes, 2 Senators Decker and Hansen.

Referred to joint committee for **review of Administrative Rules**, July 28, 2004.

Thomas Reynolds
Chairperson

The committee on **Transportation and Information Infrastructure** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-029

Relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-034

Relating to the elderly and disabled transportation assistance to counties.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 04-042

Relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways.

No action taken.

Joseph Leibham
Chairperson