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**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
AMENDMENT MEMO**

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**2003 Assembly Bill 211**

**Assembly  
Amendments 1 and 2**

*Memo published:* November 6, 2003

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*Current law* authorizes the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board to organize a nonstock, nonprofit corporation for the purpose of soliciting and accepting contributions, grants, gifts, and bequests for the Children's Trust Fund. The corporation is named the Celebrate Children Foundation. The corporation is governed by a board of directors. The board of directors consists of the chair of the Board and additional members elected by the Board and must include one legislator. In addition, no two members of the corporation's board may be from the same category of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board members.

*Assembly Bill 211* provides that the nonprofit corporation created by the Board may establish a fund that is separate from the Children's Trust Fund. The corporation may deposit gifts, grants, contributions, or bequests into the fund. In addition, the principal balance and any interest from "Celebrate Children" license plate sales that are deposited into the Children's Trust Fund, under current law, will be transferred from the Children's Trust Fund to the corporation's fund under the bill. All future revenues from the sale of license plates will also be deposited into this fund. Under current law, revenue from the sale of license plates that are deposited into the Children's Trust Fund and may not be spent by the Board. The Board may only expend the interest from this revenue.

*Assembly Amendment 1* clarifies that revenue from the sale of "Celebrate Children" license plates must continue to accumulate indefinitely in the corporation's fund. In addition, the amendment removes the requirements for membership of the corporation's board that one member must be a legislator and that no two members may be from the same category of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board members. The amendment also makes technical changes to the appropriation language in the bill.

*Assembly Bill 211* also permits the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board to award a grant of not more than \$150,000 each fiscal year to the nonprofit corporation. The corporation may use the funding to encourage donors to make contributions, to fund statewide projects or any other program that the board contracts with the corporation to administer, or to pay the actual and necessary operating costs of the corporation. In addition, the funds may be permitted to accumulate indefinitely.

*Assembly Amendment 2* permits the Board to award a grant of not more than \$100,000 only in fiscal years 2004-05 and 2005-06 to the nonprofit corporation. In addition, the amendment provides that, beginning in fiscal year 2006-07, the total amount that the corporation may expend in a given fiscal year for administrative and fundraising costs may not exceed 14% of the amount of contributions, grants, gifts, and bequests accepted by the corporation in that fiscal year.

The Assembly Committee on Children and Families recommended adoption of Assembly Amendments 1 and 2 on votes of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0, on October 30, 2003. The committee also recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0, on that same date.

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## ASSEMBLY BILL 211 (Kestell/Wirch)

Relating to a nonstock, nonprofit corporation organized by the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board, the membership of that board, the grant programs administered by that board, and making appropriations.

- On November 4, 2003, AB 211 passed the Assembly Committee on Children and Families as amended, 7-0.
- Feb. 9, 2004 passed JFC as amended, 16-0.
- Passed the Assembly, as amended, 96-1 (Grothman).
- **Assembly Bill 211 provides that the nonprofit corporation created by the Board may establish a fund that is separate from the Children's Trust Fund.**
- **Assembly Amendment 1** clarifies that revenue from the sale of "Celebrate Children" license plates must continue to accumulate indefinitely in the corporation's fund.
  - \*In addition, the amendment removes the requirements for membership of the corporation's board that one member must be a legislator and that no two members may be from the same category of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board members.
  - \*The amendment also makes technical changes to the appropriation language in the bill.
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DOT fiscal note: 1-time costs: \$22,000; \$7,200 for plate re-design and \$14,800 to replace existing inventory of Celebrate Children plates.

## Summary of AB 211:

- Expand and modify the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention (CANP) Board membership.
  - Include the Secretary of the Department of Corrections or his or her designee.
  - Add an additional public member.
  - Base public member appointments on expertise, experience, leadership, or advocacy in the prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- Ensure strong best practice grant program requirements.
  - Broaden grant award to include providing statewide child abuse and neglect prevention information or services and technical assistance.
  - Rename the early childhood family education center grant program the family resource center grant program.
  - Include Right From the Start program's strength-based and research-based requirements as requirements for family resource center grants.
- Strengthen the CANP Board's Celebrate Children Foundation and allocate our special Celebrate Children license plate funds as an endowment base while aggressively seeking private support from gifts, grants, and bequeaths.
  - Permits the non-stock, non-profit corporation (the CANP Board's Celebrate Children Foundation) to deposit contributions in the Children's Trust Fund, to use funds for authorized purposes such as the corporation's operating costs, to establish an endowment, and to administer any program that the CANP Board contracts with the corporation to administer.
  - Requires the Department of Transportation to deposit monies received from the sale of Celebrate Children license plates into the corporation's endowment fund, and require the Secretary of Administration to transfer the unencumbered balance in the Children's Trust Fund that is derived from the sale of those license plates to the corporation's endowment fund.
  - Requires the corporation to annually submit to the CANP Board for its approval a budget specifying how the corporation intends to allocate its monies.
  - Authorizes the CANP Board to award seed grants of not more than \$100,000 in state fiscal year 2005-2006 to the corporation for authorized purposes.
  - Adds four members, who are not CANP board members but are elected by the CANP Board, to the board of directors of the corporation.
  - Permits the corporation to employ staff to perform administrative services for the corporation.

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AB211 great  
Please Review ASAP.  
Thank!

January 20, 2004

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**TO:** Senator Alberta Darling  
Representative Dean Kaufert

**FROM:** Senator Carol Roessler  
Senator Robert Wirch  
Representative Steve Kestell  
Representative Mark Miller

**RE: AB 211**

Currently, the Joint Committee on Finance is reviewing AB211, which received strong endorsement from and was unanimously voted out of the Assembly Children and Families Committee. The Legislative members of the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board (CANPB) respectfully request the co-chairs of, the Joint Finance Committee to schedule a vote that would move AB211 to the Assembly and Senate for consideration this session.

AB 211 contains a number of statute revisions that will strengthen the ability of the CANP Board to effectively carry out its mission. The only fiscal impact of AB 211 is the transfer of the revenue from sales of the special Celebrate Children license plate to the Board's foundation. This revenue will become an endowment base that will enable the Board's non-stock, non-profit foundation to aggressively seek matching private funds from gifts, grants, and bequeaths.

We are excited about the positive impact that AB 211 will have on the Board's ability to raise additional funds and effectively carry out our mission. A summary of this legislation is attached for your review.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact us or the Board's Executive Director, Mary Anne Snyder, at 608-266-3737. Thank you.

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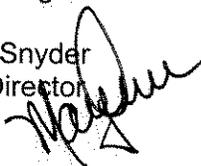
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TO: Members of the Senate Committee on Health, Children, Families,  
Aging and Long Term Care

FROM: Mary Anne Snyder  
Executive Director

RE: **AB 211**



On Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> the Joint Committee on Finance voted 16-0 to endorse AB 211 with three amendments. AB 211 also received strong endorsement from and was unanimously voted out of the Assembly Children and Families Committee. On Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> the Assembly overwhelming voted (98-1) in support of AB 211.

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If you have questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at 608-266-3737 or [maryanne.snyder@ctf.state.wi.us](mailto:maryanne.snyder@ctf.state.wi.us). Thank you.

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**ROBERT W. WIRCH**  
STATE SENATOR TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT

**Testimony before the Senate Committee on Health, Children, Families,  
Aging and Long Term Care on AB 211**

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to testify before you today on AB 211. I appreciate that Senator Roessler was able to schedule this important legislation before the end of our session.

AB 211 is a crucial piece of legislation to the Child Abuse Neglect and Prevention Board and the Children's Trust Fund. In short, it will Expand and modify the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention (CANP) Board membership, ensure strong best practice grant program requirements, strengthen the CANP Board's Celebrate Children Foundation and allocate our special Celebrate Children license plate funds as an endowment base while aggressively seeking private support from gifts, grants, and bequeaths.

I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of this legislation and send it to the entire Senate for a vote as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

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**Carol Roessler**  
STATE SENATOR

March 2, 2004

To: Senate Committee on Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care Members.

From: Senator Carol Roessler, Chair

Re: Paper Ballots: Assembly Bill 841, Assembly Bill 211, Senate Bill 487, Senate Bill 488, Senate Bill 484 and Senate Bill 82.

**Please find attached paper ballots for the following bills:**

OK Assembly Bill 841: Relating to various changes to the regulation of hearing instrument specialists, speech-language pathologists, and audiologists and granting rule-making authority.

~~OK~~ Assembly Bill 211: Relating to a nonstock, nonprofit corporation organized by the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board, the membership of that board, the grant programs administered by that board, and making appropriations.

OK Senate Bill 487: Relating to permitting confidential information to be entered into, and accessed from, the statewide automated child welfare information system. **The fiscal note is attached.**

OK Senate Bill 488: Relating to the appointment of a guardian for certain children in need of protection or services, the payment of subsidized guardianship payments to a guardian of a child who meets certain requirements, and making an appropriation. **The fiscal note is attached.**

OK Senate Bill 484: Relating to contracts for services under Medical Assistance. **The fiscal note is attached.**

Senate Bill 82: Relating to kinship care, notice of guardianship proceedings, creating a health services consent form, requesting the Joint Legislative Council to study guardianship and legal custody.