



STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

Ninety-Seventh Regular Session

THURSDAY, July 21, 2005

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

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 2 to **Assembly Bill 106** offered by Representative Ziegelbauer.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 425** offered by Representative Petrowski.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 482** offered by Representative Kerkman.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Joint Resolution 48

Relating to: life and public service of Bernard C. Ziegler.
By Representative Strachota; cosponsored by Senator Grothman.
To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 573

Relating to: revision and elimination of the exemption from the property tax for certain property and the use of income from certain tax-exempt leased property.
By Joint Legislative Council.
To committee on **Urban and Local Affairs**.

Assembly Bill 574

Relating to: the prohibition of certain billing practices for consumer goods or services, lawn care service contracts, and providing penalties.
By Representatives Jeskewitz, Ballweg, Black, Grigsby, Hines, Kerkman, Kestell, Lehman, LeMahieu, Molepske, Musser, Nass, Ott, Pope-Roberts, Townsend, Turner, Van Roy and Vrakas; cosponsored by Senators Olsen, Risser and Wirch.
To committee on **Small Business**.

Assembly Bill 575

Relating to: providing for the classification of social workers as protective occupation participants under the Wisconsin Retirement System.
By Representatives Grigsby, Fields, Berceau, Parisi, Pocan, Sinicki and Young; cosponsored by Senator Coggs.
To joint survey committee on **Retirement Systems**.

CHIEF CLERK REPORTS

The Chief Clerk records:

Assembly Bill 210

Presented to the Governor on Tuesday, July 19.

Assembly Bill 100

Presented to the Governor on Wednesday, July 20.

PATRICK E. FULLER
Assembly Chief Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor
Madison

July 21, 2005

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

The following bills, originating in the Assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State:

<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Act Number</u>	<u>Date Approved</u>
Assembly Bill 210	22	July 21, 2005
Assembly Bill 437	24	July 21, 2005

Respectfully submitted,
JIM DOYLE
Governor

SPEAKER'S COMMUNICATIONS

July 21, 2005

Mr. Patrick Fuller
Chief Clerk, Wisconsin State Assembly
Room 208, Risser Justice Center
17 West Main Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53708

Dear Patrick:

Representatives Gundrum, Wood and Vos are unable to attend the hearing of the Committee on Campaigns and Elections on Friday, July 22, 2005. Representatives Towns, Ward and Hahn will attend in their absence.

Sincerely,
JOHN G. GARD
Speaker

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Audit Bureau
Madison

July 20, 2005

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

We have completed our financial management review of selected Wisconsin Works (W-2) agencies, including a review of administrative salaries, as part of our comprehensive audit

of the W-2 program requested by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee.

Our April 2005 evaluation (report 05-6) and various other reports on W-2 agencies' operations have included information on staffing expenditures. However, in response to ongoing questions about the salaries and bonuses paid to agency officials, we reviewed salary information in detail in a sample of agencies. We found that private agencies in Milwaukee County – which in 2004 included Maximus, Inc., Opportunities Industrialization Center of Greater Milwaukee, Inc. (OIC-GM), and United Migrant Opportunity Services, Inc. (UMOS) – tended to pay their officials more than agencies elsewhere did. Among those who were paid more than \$60,000 annually, the average salary was \$89,346 in Milwaukee County compared to \$75,540 elsewhere in the state.

We also reviewed \$7.4 million in expenditures by 17 W-2 agencies and identified \$19,600 in questioned costs related to two agencies: YW Works and UMOS. These costs include \$17,103 in purchases for which the receipts and other documentation were missing. We identified additional unallowable and questioned costs for OIC-GM, a former provider of W-2 services, in a report released in November 2004.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by the W-2 agencies and the Department of Workforce Development during the course of our review.

Sincerely,
JANICE MUELLER
State Auditor