

STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

Ninety-Eighth Regular Session

11:10 A.M.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber located in the State Capitol.

Representative Gundrum in the chair.

The Assembly dispensed with the call of the roll.

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Madison

August 30, 2007

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Attached please find an electronic copy of the 2007 Groundwater Coordinating Council Report to the Legislature. This report fulfills statutory requirements under s. 15.347(13), Wis. Stats., and is to be distributed to the appropriate standing committees on the environment and natural resources in the Senate and Assembly. It is my understanding that it is no longer necessary (or desired) to distribute paper copies to each member of the appropriate committees. Therefore I will deliver one paper copy to each of your offices next week when they are available from the printer.

If you would like additional paper copies or have any questions please contact me. The report is also be available to read or download at: http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/dwg/gcc/rtl/gccreport.htm.

Sincerely, TODD AMBS, CHAIR Groundwater Coordinating Council

Referred to committee on Natural Resources.

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Madison

August 31, 2007

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)

TUESDAY, September 4, 2007

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 July 2007.

On July 2, 2007, the Medical Assistance Trust Fund cash balance closed at a negative \$27.2 million, its intramonth low. This negative balance continued through July 23, 2007, when the fund's cash balance closed at a positive \$211 thousand. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On July 3, 2007, the Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund cash balance closed at a negative \$57 thousand. This negative balance continued intermittently through July 31, 2007, when the fund's cash balance closed at a negative \$30 thousand. The Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund cash balance reached its intramonth low of a negative \$91 thousand on July 19, 2007. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

On July 2, 2007, the Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund cash balance closed at a negative \$2 thousand. This negative balance continued through July 31, 2007, when the fund's cash balance closed at a negative \$2 thousand. The negative balance was due to the difference in the timing of revenues and expenditures.

The Medical Assistance Trust Fund, Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund, and Wisconsin Health Education Loan Repayment Fund shortfalls were not in excess of the statutory interfund borrowing limitations 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, MICHAEL L. MORGAN Secretary

Referred to committee on Ways and Means.

State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services Madison

September 1, 2007

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Section 227.485(9) of the Wis. Stats. requires the Department to submit a report concerning decisions and resulting payments of attorney fees and related legal costs. Attorney fees and other legal costs are to be paid whenever the opposing party to an agency's Chapter 227 hearing prevails and it is determined the agency's position was not substantially justified. The attached report reflects payments made during SFY2007.

In addition, under 814.245(10) of the Wis. Stats., the Department is required to report any awards granted to the Department regarding frivolous motions brought against this Department. In SFY 2007, no motions of opposing parties were found to be frivolous. Consequently, the Department has no awards to report.

With warm regards, *KEVIN R. HAYDEN* Secretary

Referred to committee on Health.

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration Madison

September 1, 2007

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Included with this correspondence, I am submitting the reports from the Department of Administration, Division of

Gaming (Gaming), for the third and fourth quarters of fiscal year 2007 (January 1, 2007 through March 31, 2007 and April, 2007 through June 30, 2007, respectively). As required by s. 562.02(1)(g), Wis. Stats., the attached materials contain pari-mutuel wagering and racing statistical information, as well as the revenues for the program areas of Racing, Charitable Gaming, Bingo and Indian Gaming. Geneva Lakes Greyhound Track ceased operations on April 1, 2006 and therefore is no longer included in the Pari-Mutuel Wagering Statistics.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact Rachel Meek at (608) 270-2535.

Sincerely, *ROBERT W. SLOEY* Administrator

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Meyer moved that the Assembly stand adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, September 6.

The question was: Shall the Assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The Assembly stood adjourned.

11:11 A.M.