



# STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

## Ninety-Ninth Regular Session

THURSDAY, July 2, 2009

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

### ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

#### Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 09–019

Relating to the practical examination.  
Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.  
Report received from Agency, June 19, 2009.  
To committee on **Public Health**.  
Referred on July 1, 2009.

### REFERENCE BUREAU CORRECTIONS

#### Assembly Joint Resolution 56

In enrolling, the following correction was made:

1. Page 2, line 2: delete “30,000,000” and substitute “\$30,000,000”.

### ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following Assembly proposals, which have been approved by both the Assembly and Senate, have been enrolled by the Legislative Reference Bureau:

**Assembly Joint Resolution 54**  
**Assembly Joint Resolution 56**  
**Assembly Joint Resolution 60**

*PATRICK E. FULLER*  
Assembly Chief Clerk

### COMMUNICATIONS

June 29, 2009

Patrick Fuller  
Assembly Chief Clerk  
17 West Main Street, Suite 401  
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Patrick:

I am pleased to transmit to you the following reports to the 2009 Legislature on legislation introduced by the Joint Legislative Council:

RL 2009–10 Special Committee on Emergency Management and Continuity of Government  
2009 Senate Bill 226 and 2009 Assembly Bill 316;  
2009 Senate Bill 227 and 2009 Assembly Bill 317;  
2009 Senate Bill 228 and 2009 Assembly Bill 318;  
2009 Senate Bill 229 and 2009 Assembly Bill 319;  
2009 Senate Bill 230 and 2009 Assembly Bill 320;  
2009 Senate Joint Resolution 39 and  
2009 Assembly Joint Resolution 59

I would appreciate your including this letter in the Journal for the information of the membership. Additional copies of these reports are available at the Legislative Council Staff offices, One East Main, Suite 401, or from our web page at <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lc>.

Sincerely,  
*TERRY C. ANDERSON*  
Joint Legislative Council  
Director

State of Wisconsin  
Legislative Reference Bureau  
Madison

**DATE:** July 1, 2009  
**TO:** Patrick E. Fuller  
Assembly Chief Clerk  
Robert Marchant  
Senate Chief Clerk  
**FROM:** Bruce J. Hoesly  
Code Editor

**SUBJECT:** Rules published in the June 30, 2009 Wisconsin Administrative [Register, No. 643](#).

The following rules have been published:

<a href="#">Clearinghouse Rule 08–033</a>	effective	7–1–2009
<a href="#">Clearinghouse Rule 08–060</a>	effective	7–1–2009
<a href="#">Clearinghouse Rule 08–063</a>	effective	7–1–2009
<a href="#">Clearinghouse Rule 08–088</a>	effective	7–1–2009
<a href="#">Clearinghouse Rule 08–089</a>	effective	7–1–2009

Clearinghouse Rule 08-098	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 08-105	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 08-107	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 08-108	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 08-109	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 08-112	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 09-001	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 09-004	effective	7-1-2009
Clearinghouse Rule 09-012	effective	7-1-2009

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## REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin  
Department of Employee Trust Funds  
Department of Health Services  
Madison

June 8, 2009

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Wis Stats. 153.05 (2s) directs the Department of Health Services and the Department of Employee Trust Funds to jointly prepare an annual report on the activities of the Wisconsin Health Information Organization (WHIO). The Departments are required to submit this report to the standing committees of the Legislature with jurisdiction over health issues.

As both the national and state levels, efforts are under way to transform health care through the use of health information technology. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 appropriated over \$35 billion to advance the adoption of electronic health records and to create standardized electronic health information exchange. Wisconsin is

uniquely positioned to participate in these federal efforts to transform the health care delivery system because of its technical resources and strong industry partners in the technology and health care sectors, and the commitment and intellectual capacity across the public and private sectors brought to this work.

As a result of the ground-breaking work done by the Wisconsin Health Information Organization, both public and private sector health care purchasers will have the ability to measure the quality and price of health care services and use that information to increase the value of future purchases. Health care providers will have information available to them that will help them identify where quality and cost variation exists and answer the question, "What care provides the most value to patients?"

WHIO is an excellent example of a collaborative public-private partnership and an extremely important initiative for Wisconsin to achieve transparency in health care and promote better health care outcomes for the people of Wisconsin. We are fully committed to working in partnership with the other health care stakeholders across the state through WHIO.

Please find enclosed the first annual report on the activities of WHIO, as well as a fact sheet on WHIO and a WHIO Board Membership Roster. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Webb, eHealth Program Manager, at (608) 267-6767.

Sincerely,  
*DAVID STELLA, SECRETARY*  
Department of Employee Trust Funds  
*KAREN E. TIMBERLAKE, SECRETARY*  
Department of Health Services

Referred to committee on **Health and Healthcare Reform.**