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To: Bob

From: Nancy

Date: August 13, 2009

Re: August 20<sup>th</sup> Criminal Justice Meeting

Adrienne from Rep. Staskunas' office stopped by and said Tony might have to leave the meeting early. She mentioned the exec on AB 181 and I said unless someone objected that you did hope to have the exec. So I guess if Rep. Staskunas leaves before the exec he will not be able to vote.



## McAdams, Nancy

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**From:** George, Lorna  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2009 4:10 PM  
**To:** McAdams, Nancy; Bob - Home  
**Subject:** FW: Possible executive session Thursday on AB 181  
**Attachments:** testimony082009.doc

Bob - FYI

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**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:54 PM  
**To:** Rep.Turner; Rep.Kessler; Rep.Staskunas; Rep.Hraychuck; Rep.Soletski; Rep.Pasch; Rep.Kleefisch; Rep.Friske; Rep.Kramer; Rep.Brooks; Rep.Ripp  
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**To:** Members, Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice  
**From:** Peggy Krusick  
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**Subject:** AB 181 Executive Session

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Thanks for your consideration.

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08/19/2009



**PEGGY KRUSICK**  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

**Peggy Krusick's Testimony in Support of AB 181:  
Holding Unlicensed Drivers who Cause Serious Injury or Death Accountable for their Actions  
Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice  
August 20, 2009**

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Thank you Chairman Turner and committee members for scheduling a hearing on AB 181.

**Background**

Two sessions ago, 2005 Act 412 provided new penalties for suspended, revoked or unlicensed drivers who cause damage, injury or death.

Act 412 had been initiated after the tragic deaths of Nick Dams of Greendale and Kristy Wanek of Racine, both of whom died in 2005 in accidents involving drivers who did not have valid driver's licenses.

Nick's father, Greendale Police Chief Rob Dams, and Kristy's mother, Cindy, and sister, Beth, are here today in support of this legislation.

Many of us who worked on Act 412 still believe even stronger and more consistent driver's license revocation and suspension laws are needed in Wisconsin.

In 2007, we reconvened our workgroup, which included Chief Dams, several legislators, transportation experts, police, sheriffs, prosecutors, public defenders, court commissioners, and judges.

After 7 months of work and several meetings, our workgroup produced a final legislative product that was introduced as AB 565. This bill passed the Assembly Judiciary Committee 8-2.

The bill before you today is a slightly revised version of last session's bill. It contains 3 primary provisions.

**AB 181**

**1. Strengthens penalties for causing great bodily harm and death for people who knowingly drive with a suspended, revoked or invalid license.**

Current law

Great bodily harm and death: Up to 9 months and/or \$10,000 (Class A misdemeanor)

The Bill

Great bodily harm: Up to 3.5 yrs and/or \$10,000 (Class I felony)

Death: Up to 6 yrs and/or \$10,000 (Class H felony)

Rationale

Revoked, suspended or unlicensed drivers have no place on Wisconsin's roads. Stronger laws are necessary to deter them from getting behind the wheel and to help make Wisconsin's roadways safer.

## **2. Eliminates mandatory revocation for 4<sup>th</sup> and subsequent offenses**

### Current law

Requires judges to revoke someone's license after a 4th violation within 5 years of driving with a revoked, suspended or invalid license in all cases.

### The bill

Restores judicial discretion in these cases so judges can consider the underlying reason for why someone's driving privileges have been restricted.

### Rationale

There are times when it may be more effective to relicense the driver than to impose another suspension or revocation upon him or her. For example, if a driver has been suspended for a non-driving offense, the courts would prefer not to be compelled to re-revoke the driver's operating privilege.

## **3. Amends the penalty for railroad crossing offenses**

### Current law

Requires someone's driving privileges to be revoked for all railroad crossing offenses.

### The bill

Makes most railroad crossing offenses subject to a driver's license suspension rather than a mandated revocation.

### Rationale

While serious, most railroad crossing offenses don't rise to the level of extremely dangerous or antisocial behavior (like eluding police, drunken driving, or hit-and-run) that warrants revocation of someone's driving privileges. Suspending someone's driving privileges for a railroad crossing offense is sufficient in most cases.

## **Conclusion**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of AB 181.

Driving in the State of Wisconsin is a privilege, not a right. Someone without a valid driver's license or whose license has been cancelled, suspended, or revoked has no place on Wisconsin's roads. The accidents caused by these offenders would never have happened if they had not been driving in the first place.

The safety of our families is paramount. I urge swift passage of this comprehensive legislation to help deter individuals who've lost their operating privileges from driving on our streets and to strengthen penalties for those involved in accidents that result in great bodily harm and death.

## **Supporters**

Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association  
Wisconsin County Police Association  
Wisconsin District Attorneys Association  
Milwaukee County Law Enforcement Executive's Association  
Milwaukee Police Association  
Milwaukee Deputy Sheriffs Association  
Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm

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**PEGGY KRUSICK**  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

**Holding Unlicensed Drivers who Cause Great Bodily Harm or  
Death Accountable for their Actions (AB 181)**

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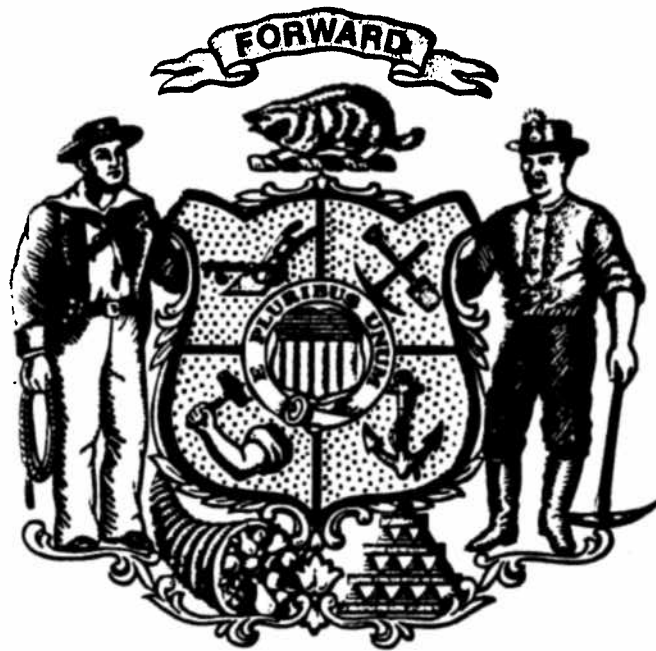
1. For suspended, revoked or unlicensed drivers:
  - Increases the maximum imprisonment from 9 months to 3 ½ years for causing great bodily harm and to 6 years for causing death. (Someone must “knowingly” be driving without a valid license for these penalties to apply).
  - Repeals enhanced mandatory civil penalties of \$1,000 for causing damage and \$5,000 for causing injury. (Judicial sentencing guidelines already provide stiffer criminal penalties in many cases, with fines and up to 1 year in jail for repeat offenders who cause injury or damage).
  
2. Provides judges discretion in determining whether to revoke someone’s driving privileges after a 4th violation within 5 years of driving with a revoked, suspended or invalid license. Currently, judges must revoke someone’s license in such cases, regardless of the underlying reason for the driver’s license sanctions. There are times when it may be more effective to relicense the driver than to impose another suspension or revocation upon him or her. For example, if a driver has been suspended for a non-driving offense like unpaid forfeitures, the courts would prefer not to be compelled to re-revoke the driver’s operating privilege.

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**McAdams, Nancy**

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**Sent:** Thursday, August 20, 2009 9:34 AM  
**To:** Krusick, Peggy; Rep.Turner; Rep.Kessler; Rep.Staskunas; Rep.Hraychuck; Rep.Soletski; Rep.Pasch; Rep.Kleefisch; Rep.Friske; Rep.Kramer; Rep.Brooks; Rep.Ripp  
**Cc:** Dyke, Don; McAdams, Nancy  
**Subject:** Amendment to AB 181  
**Attachments:** 09a06041.pdf

Attached is an amendment to AB 181 that was introduced yesterday and will be considered at today's public hearing. This amendment reconciles AB 181 with an OAR provision that was adopted as part of the 2009-11 budget act. The amendment will be described in committee.

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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,  
TO 2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 181

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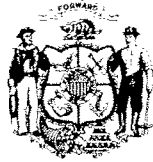
2 1. Page 8, line 17: after “statutes” insert “, as affected by 2009 Wisconsin Act  
3 28,”.

4 2. Page 8, line 20: delete “that,” and substitute “that.”.

5 3. Page 8, line 23: delete the material beginning with “if” and ending with “or”  
6 on line 24.

7 (END)





# Mary Lazich

Wisconsin State Senator

Senate District 28

**Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice  
Testimony on Assembly Bill 181  
August 20, 2009**

Good Morning Committee Chair Turner and committee members. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to the Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice on Assembly Bill 181.

I am not only a strong supporter of Assembly Bill 181, but also a co-sponsor on behalf of one of my constituents, Greendale Police Chief Robert Dams. During 2005, Nicholas Dams, then age 20, son of Greendale Police Chief Robert Dams, was killed in an accident by a driver operating without a license and with his privileges to obtain a license revoked. Nicholas Dams, an A student, was returning home from classes at the downtown campus of the Milwaukee Area Technical College. He so admired his police chief-father that he too was preparing for a career in law enforcement.

The driver operating without a driver's license and the privilege to obtain a license revoked was only issued a citation for driving after revocation and another for failure to yield the right of way. The driver, at most, was issued a fine and was able to return to the road.

This is not an isolated case. The same scenario happens to people all over Wisconsin. Please support Assembly Bill 181 to ensure that those causing injury or death while driving during the time their driving privileges are taken away are punished appropriately.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Assembly Bill 181.







AB 181  
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August 20, 2009

My name is Nancy Martz. I very much wanted to be there today to speak with you regarding the need to change this law to a felony charge. I am unable to be in Madison today because the murder of my father, Julius Kullmann, has already caused me to be absent from work too many times.

Julius Kullmann was murdered July 23, 2008 by Shawn M. Baeten of 3101 S Clay St Green Bay WI, who was driving that day on a suspended driver's license. This was the third time in six years that he had been caught driving without a valid license and all the time he continued to work as an over the road sales rep. I testified before the State Assembly earlier this year and gave the horrific details of my father's death. I am still haunted by the knowledge that he struggled to live in spite of a broken neck, broken ribs, shattered legs, and open wounds. He died trapped in his vehicle in front of the rescue workers trying to save him.

Shawn Baeten was charged with a misdemeanor offense and sentenced to 6 months in Huber jail, approved to work in a college bar. We were not even allowed to try and retrieve personal property from my father's vehicle before Shawn Baeten was out of jail. The property was held for 13 months. While the Marinette County Sherriff was trying to help us break thru the tail light to force the trunk open he asked what the status of this case was. I told him the sentence, told him that Shawn Baeten was already out on the streets. He looked at me and said "now you know why we get so frustrated with our jobs." He said we are the ones dealing with the horror of the scene,



we are the ones telling the family their loved one was killed. We investigate, we arrest, and then these guys are back out in no time doing the same thing all over again.

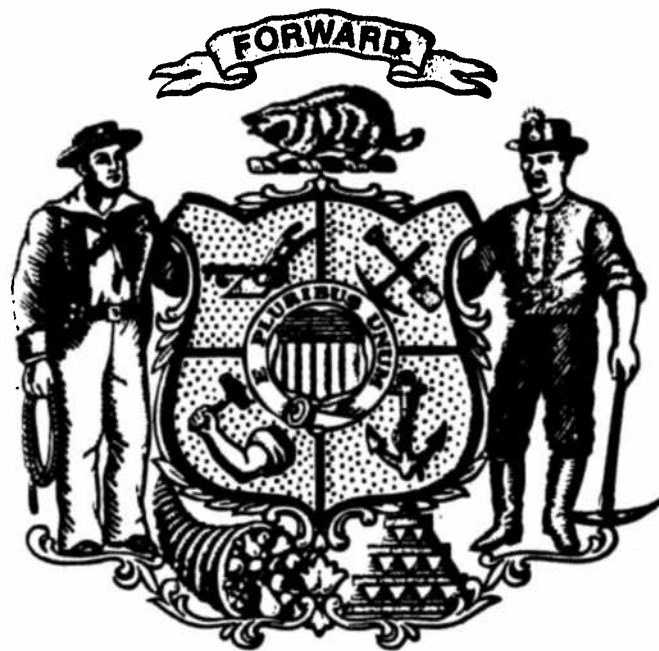
Why does this happen? I have heard so many times that it is all about the money. Changing a law costs the state money and the state has no money. First and foremost, the state should value the lives of the innocent citizens and their rights to safe passage on the road. Now let's look at who used the State's funds, how was the money really spent in our case? My father paid the required fees and had a valid drivers license. He obeyed the law and had a clean driving record, a safe driver's discount on his insurance. He did not use any additional State funds.

Shawn Baeten avoided fees and financial responsibilities and just drove without a license. When he drove over the center line and murdered my father, he began the use of fees for the police, rescue workers, investigators, coroner, the DA, the judge, other court employees, and the jail employees. I am sure the money he earned working in a college bar did not pay the full expense of his Huber jail stay.

The current law is not working. It is not protecting the innocent citizens, and the lawbreakers are draining away valuable resources that could be spent elsewhere. The only way to plug that drain is to change the law. Unfortunately, people don't learn life changing lessons from easy consequences. That is why so many continue to drive again and again without a valid driver's license, starting the cycle of the State's expenses all over again. They learn from the ones that really cause them troubles.

A felony charge is more serious, it impacts one's life in many more ways than a misdemeanor charge does. It gets the message across. It is time to change the law, make this a felony offense, and stop this insanity. Thank you for this time





## George, Lorna

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**From:** Caruso, Nicholl  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 26, 2009 1:53 PM  
**To:** Rep.Turner  
**Subject:** RE: Potential September Legislative Bills

Thanks!

I will discuss with Rep. Nelson and be in touch soon.

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**From:** Rep.Turner  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 26, 2009 12:18 PM  
**To:** Caruso, Nicholl  
**Cc:** Rep.Krusick; Sen.Carpenter; Rep.Nelson  
**Subject:** Potential September Legislative Bills

Dear Nicholl:

Thank you for providing me with a list of potential bills for the September Floorperiod. I would like to request that a bill that passed the Assembly Criminal Justice Committee last week be included among those on the list. Assembly Bill 181, co-authored by Rep. Krusick and Sen. Carpenter, relates to operating a motor vehicle without a valid driver's license or after suspension or revocation of an operating privilege and providing penalties. This bill was also introduced in the 2007 session. It involves situations with both Rep. Krusick's constituents and my constituents, and other families who testified on the bill. I hope you will be willing to honor my request. If you have any questions, please direct them to Representative Krusick or myself. Thank you.

Sincerely,

State Rep. Robert Turner  
223 North Capitol  
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Madison, WI 53708-8953  
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## Potential September Legislative Bills:

### I. Drunk Driving

- a. AB 283: Relating to: operating a vehicle while intoxicated, granting rule-making authority, making an appropriation and providing a penalty. Staskunas (RULES)
  - i. This is the omnibus Drunk Driving Bill, which includes the following provisions
    1. Mandatory Ignition Interlock for first time over .15
    2. Safe Streets Program for Treatment
    3. Mandatory Minimums for all multiple drunk driving offenses
    4. Closing the .08- .099 loophole
    5. Fourth OWI Felony
    6. Probation- This provision would add probation as an additional option for Judges when issuing OWI sentences. Giving Judges the ability to individualize sentencing to include supervision, counseling or treatment could help to rehabilitate the offender.
    7. Extending revocation
    8. Penalty Enhancer for Injuries
    9. Repeat Offender Absolute Sobriety
- b. AB 130: relating to: costs of administering tests for intoxication. Gundrum.
  - i. This changes the way intoxication tests are paid for, placing them on the onus of those convicted. (RULES)
- c. AB 17: relating to: requiring ignition interlock devices for certain motor vehicle violations, granting rule-making authority, making an appropriation, and providing a penalty. Staskunas.
  - i. This bill makes ignition interlock devices mandatory for repeat offenders and first time offenders over .15 (included in omnibus bill) (RULES)
- d. AB 218: relating to: penalty surcharges, court fees, drivers' records, and drug and alcohol assessment for persons who commit certain offenses relating to driving while intoxicated. Staskunas
  - i. This bill closes the .08 - .099 loophole (Included in Omnibus bill) (RULES)

### II. Consumer Protection

- a. AB 189: relating to: increasing the amount of the homestead exemption. Hebl.
  - i. This bill increases the homestead exemption for buildings being seized by debtors from \$40,000 to \$75,000. (RULES)
- b. AB 131: relating to: pleading requirements for assignees of creditors under the Wisconsin Consumer Act. Hebl.
  - i. Holds people who are assignees of creditors to the same standard as anyone else under the Wisconsin Consumer Act. (RULES)
- c. AB 261: relating to: soliciting purchases of goods or services using unsolicited checks or money orders and providing a penalty. Bernard Schaber.
  - i. Makes fake check scams to sign up for programs illegal (AWAITING EXEC)

### III. Government Reform

- a. AB 65: relating to: public financing of campaigns for the office of justice of the Supreme Court, making appropriations, and providing penalties. Hintz
  - i. This bill is the Impartial Justice Bill. It provides public financing for Supreme Court Elections. (RULES)
- b. AB 62: relating to: the prosecution and venue for trial of certain offenses by certain state residents. Kessler
  - i. Ethics cases to be tried where ethics violations occur. Basically, Dane County prosecutes those who violate major ethics law (Scott Jensen) (RULES)
- c. AB 304: relating to: ineligibility of convicted felons for licensure as lobbyists. Soletski
  - i. Ban on Felons Lobbying (AWAITING EXEC)

#### IV. Rural Issue Day

- a. AB 256: relating to: regulation of wind energy systems and granting rule-making authority. Soletski (RULES- AWAITING SENATE VERSION)
  - i. This is the Wind Siting Bill. It sets how wind mills may be sited by the PSC.
- b. AB 236: relating to: requiring that certain high school agriculture courses be counted as science credits. Radcliffe (RULES)
  - i. This bill provides that, if a pupil earns at least two credits in science, the school board must award the pupil an additional science credit for completing in grades 9 to 12 each course in agriculture that the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has determined qualifies as science according to criteria established by DPI.
- c. AB 166: relating to: the use of pesticides by veterinarians and veterinary technicians. Radcliffe (RULES)
  - i. This bill makes changes to the rules that are promulgated by the Veterinary Examining Board with regards to disposal of pesticides.

#### V. Outdoors Day

- a. AB 138: relating to: the appointment and term of service of the secretary of natural resources and vacancies on the Natural Resources Board. Black (SCHEDULED EXEC)
  - i. This bill allows the Natural Resources Board to appoint the secretary of DNR, removing the responsibility from the Governor.
- b. SB 107: relating to: the sale, disposal, collection, and recycling of electronic devices, granting rule-making authority, making an appropriation, and providing penalties. Bernard Schaber (RULES)
  - i. This is the E-Waste bill, which creates a recycling program for used electronics to be paid for by manufacturers and retailers.
- c. SB 123: relating to: regulating the transportation of aquatic plants and aquatic animals, the administration of federal funds for the control and eradication of noxious weeds, the placement of vehicles, seaplanes, watercraft, and other objects in navigable waters, the regulation of noxious weeds by municipalities, the disposal of invasive species, providing an exemption from rule-making procedures, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing a penalty. Milroy (RULES)
  - i. This bill places rules on boat placement and creates ways to stop invasive species from spreading to other lakes. Gives DNR the authority to do more to stop the spread of Noxious Weeds.



**George, Lorna**

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**From:** George, Lorna  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2010 11:17 AM  
**To:** Bob - Home  
**Subject:** Reporter Janine Anderson call re: AB 181 Kristy Wanek bill

Bob,

Janine Anderson the JT reporter, called to ask about AB 181. She could not understand the bill history report. I told her you supported this strongly and the bill passed the Assembly and was sent to the Senate. However, the Senate failed to act on the bill and the session ended. This is the Kristy Wanek, Chief Damms bill.

John Lehman was a cosponsor and she was planning to call his office.

Lorna J. George

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For Illinois Lottery results, call (800) 752-1775.

## Attempt to change law stalled when session of Legislature ended

JAMINE ANDERSON  
[jamine.anderson@journaltimes.com](mailto:jamine.anderson@journaltimes.com)

An attempt to increase the penalties for offenses like the ones of which Luis Zavala was convicted stalled when the 2009 legislative session ended before the bill got out of committee.

If passed, the bill would have turned the charges of causing injury or death by driving without a license into felonies which can bring prison time and higher fines.

Under the revised bill, someone who knowingly drives without a license and seriously injures someone could face up to 3½ years in prison; someone who knowingly drives without a license and causes someone's death could face six years in prison.

The bill passed in the state Assembly and was sent to the Senate Committee on Judiciary, Corrections, Insurance, Campaign Finance Reform and Housing two days before the session ended.

There was not enough time for the committee and Senate to take up the matter before the session ended, according to staff in state Sen. John Lehman's office.

Lehman was a co-sponsor of the bill and has previously been a co-sponsor on similar efforts to increase penalties for these types of offenses.

Even if the law had passed, Zavala would have still been charged with the misdemeanors because the crash he caused happened before the law would have changed.

to suffer with obesity, but "this indicates you're not that disadvantaged as a guy, from a wage perspective," said Ferguson, who plans to study why.

Then consider that obesity is linked to earlier death. While that's not something people usually consider a pocketbook issue, the report did average in the economic value of lost life. That brought women's annual obesity costs up to \$8,365, and men's to \$6,518.

The numbers are in line with other research and aren't surprising, said Dr. Kevin Schulman, a professor of medicine and health economist at Duke University who wasn't involved in the new report.

Two-thirds of Americans are either overweight or obese, and childhood obesity has tripled in the past three decades. Nearly 18 percent of adolescents now are obese, facing a future of diabetes, heart disease and other ailments.

obesity, said Schulman, pointing to factors like dietary changes over the past 30 years and physical environments that discourage physical activity.

"We're paying a very high price as a society for obesity, and why don't we think about it as a problem of enormous magnitude to our economy?" he asks. "We're creating obesity and we need to do a man-on-the-moon effort to solve this before those poor kids in elementary

spending averages \$1,400 more a year for the obese than normal-weight people. Tuesday's report added mostly work-related costs — things like sick days and disability claims — related to those health problems.

It also included a quirky finding, a study that calculated nearly 1 billion additional gallons of gasoline are used every year because of increases in car passengers' weight since 1960.

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talked to detectives about a high-profile missing woman investigation in front of her and gave her confidential details of the case. Afterward, he kept sending her text messages with developments and later invited her to the slain woman's autopsy "provided I act as his girlfriend and would wear high heels and a skirt." The woman claims Kratz repeatedly bragged about his position and his prosecution record, but she ended contact after a "few frustrating days."

Doyle's office redacted the name of the woman who complained, but the governor said the letter

the process has been rarely used. Doyle has never done so in his eight years in office, and state lawyers were searching for any similar cases Monday. "Removal? I've never heard of that," said Secretary of State Doug La Follette, who has been in office since 1982.

Kratz apologized for the text messages and said he would get therapy last week. He announced Monday he's going on medical leave indefinitely. He did not return phone messages seeking comment on the second woman's claims.

Kratz has rejected calls to resign from lawmakers, his peers and victims' advocates. Kratz, 50, has been





Bob, FYI, N.

**McAdams, Nancy**

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**From:** Moran, Christian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2009 9:43 AM  
**To:** McAdams, Nancy  
**Subject:** copy of letter to Rep. Nelson and Speaker Sheridan  
**Attachments:** Nelson091009.doc

Nancy,

Sorry for the delay. Attached is a copy of the letter Peggy hand-delivered on Sept. 10 to Rep. Nelson and Speaker Sheridan's offices requesting that AB 181 (and 2 other bills) be scheduled for a vote on the floor of the Assembly.

Christian

Christian Moran  
Office of Representative Peggy Krusick  
State Capitol, 128 North  
Madison, WI 53708  
(608) 266-1733

10/06/2009

September 10, 2009

Tom Nelson  
Assembly Majority Leader  
State Capitol, 214 West

Dear Tom:

I respectfully request that following three bills be scheduled soon for a vote on the floor of the People's House.

**AB 181: Keeping Our Streets Safe**

Strengthens penalties for causing great bodily harm and death for people who knowingly drive with a suspended, revoked or invalid license.

Passed Assembly Criminal Justice Committee 8-2

Supported by: Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association, Wisconsin County Police Association, Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, Milwaukee County Law Enforcement Executive's Association, Milwaukee Police Association, Milwaukee Deputy Sheriffs Association and Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm

**AB 183: Helping Wisconsin Cities Collect Unpaid Parking Tickets**

Permits a municipality to enact an ordinance to allow for the booting or towing and impounding of vehicles owned by habitual parking violators.

Passed Assembly Urban and Local Affairs Committee 5-3

Supported by: Wisconsin Alliance of Cities, League of Wisconsin Municipalities, Wisconsin Parking Association, City of Milwaukee, City of Green Bay Parking System Division

**AB 284: Disabled Parking Accessibility Trailer Bill**

Rectifies enforcement difficulties with the 2005 Disabled Parking Accessibility Act, which strengthened handicap parking permit eligibility standards, increased forfeitures for permit abuse, and made lying on a permit application illegal.

Passed Assembly Transportation Committee 12-0

Supported by: IndependenceFirst, Disability Rights Wisconsin, Survival Coalition of Wisconsin Disability Organizations, Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities, Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers, Sauk County Disabled Parking Enforcement Council, City of Madison Parking Council for People with Disabilities, City of Milwaukee Police Department City of Madison.

Thanks for your consideration.

On, Wisconsin!

Peggy

cc: Mike Sheridan, Assembly Speaker



**George, Lorna**

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**From:** George, Lorna  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 10:58 AM  
**To:** Bob - Home  
**Cc:** McAdams, Nancy  
**Subject:** Scott Adrian wants to speak with you Thursday

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Bob,

Scott Adrian from Speaker Sheridan's office needs about 10 minutes of your time tomorrow to talk about Peggy Krusick's drunk driving bill. He'd like to see you before your Criminal Justice Committee if possible.

I told Scott that I would let him know when you get in the office tomorrow.

Lorna J. George

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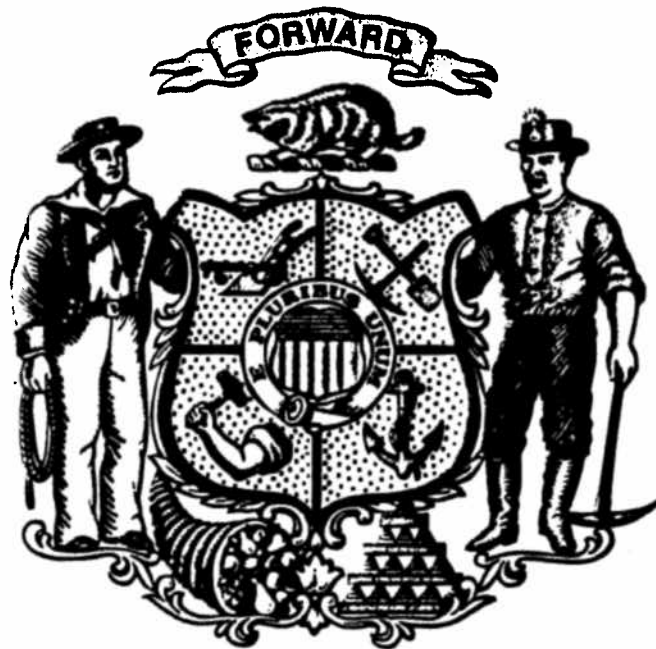
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MEMORANDUM

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To: Bob

From: Rep. Krusick

Date: January 4, 2010

Re: Assembly Bill 181, relating to operating a motor vehicle without a valid driver's license or after suspension or revocation of an operating privilege

Rep. Krusick stopped by today and asked if you could help move the above bill along. It had a hearing on April 21, 2009 in the Judiciary Committee and on August 20<sup>th</sup> in the Criminal Justice Committee. The bill passed your Committee on August 20, 2009, on a vote of 8-2, with Kessler and Friske voting No. Rep. Krusick seemed to think the bill was still in your committee. She came by while I was out at lunch and Lorna took the message from her. I called her back and told her the bill was in the Rules Committee and that I believe you had spoken to leadership about scheduling it.

However, I believe Rep. Staskunas is now drafting a more comprehensive bill that will include several of the provisions from AB 181 in it, according to his staffer, Adrienne Ramirez. I did not tell Rep. Krusick this in the phone message so she may not know about it, I am not sure. This is something you should discuss with Rep. Nelson when you meet with him on Thursday.

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An Act to repeal 343.05 (5) (b) 3., 343.31 (1) (hm), 343.44 (1) (am), 343.44 (2) (am) and 343.44 (2) (e) to (h); to renumber 343.05 (5) (a); to renumber and amend 343.44 (2) (a) and 343.44 (2) (as); to amend 343.05 (5) (b) 1., 343.30 (1g), 343.30 (2j) (a), 343.31 (2m) and 343.44 (2) (b) (intro.); and to create 343.05 (5) (ag), 343.05 (5) (b) 4. and 5., 343.30 (1d), 343.30 (1g) (c), 343.44 (2) (ad), 343.44 (2) (ag) 2. and 3., 343.44 (2) (ar) 3. and 4. and 343.44 (2) (br) of the statutes; relating to: operating a motor vehicle without a valid driver's license or after suspension or revocation of an operating privilege and providing penalties. (FE)

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- 04-02-09. A. Introduced by Representatives Krusick, Gundrum, Stone, Ballweg, Cullen, Gunderson, Kaufert, Kerkman, Kleefisch, Knodl, LeMahieu, Lothian, Mursau, Nass, Nygren, A. Ott, J. Ott, Pridemore, Ripp, Spanbauer, Suder, Townsend, Turner, Zipperer and Zepnick; cosponsored by Senators Carpenter, Lazich, Darling, Grothman, Kanavas, A. Lasee, Lehman, Plale and Schultz, by request of the family of Nicholas Dams, the family of Kristy Wanek, Greendale Police Chief Rob Dams, father of Nicholas, Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association, Wisconsin County Police Association, Milwaukee Police Association, Milwaukee County Law Enforcement Executives Association, Milwaukee Deputy Sheriffs' Association, Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm.
- 04-02-09. A. Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary and Ethics. . . . . **122**
- 04-17-09. A. Fiscal estimate received.
- 04-20-09. A. Fiscal estimate received.
- 04-20-09. A. Fiscal estimate received.
- 04-21-09. A. Fiscal estimate received.
- 04-21-09. A. Public hearing held.
- 04-29-09. A. Fiscal estimate received.
- 07-08-09. A. Withdrawn from committee on Judiciary and Ethics and referred to committee on Criminal Justice pursuant to Assembly Rule 42 (3)(c). . . . . **335**
- 08-20-09. A. Assembly amendment **1** offered by Representative Krusick. . . . . **352**
- 08-20-09. A. Public hearing held.
- 08-20-09. A. Executive action taken.
- 09-04-09. A. Report Assembly Amendment **1** adoption recommended by committee on Criminal Justice, Ayes 10, Noes 0 . . . . . **361**
- 09-04-09. A. Report passage as amended recommended by committee on Criminal Justice, Ayes 8, Noes 2. . . . . **361**
- 09-04-09. A. Referred to committee on Rules. . . . . **361**