

STATE OF WISCONSIN
Senate Journal
One–Hundredth Regular Session

TUESDAY, January 4, 2011

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

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries dated **Monday, January 3, 2011.**

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND
REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS**

Read first time and referred:

Senate Bill 1

Relating to: membership of the Joint Legislative Council.
By Senators S. Fitzgerald and Ellis.
To committee on **Senate Organization.**

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The joint committee on **Legislative Organization** reports and recommends:

Senate Joint Resolution 1

Relating to: the session schedule for the 2011–2012 biennial session period.

Introduction.

Ayes, 10 – Senators Ellis, S. Fitzgerald, Grothman, Miller and Hansen. Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Suder, Knodl, Barca and Seidel.

Noes, 0 – None.

MICHAEL ELLIS
Senate Chairperson

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Senate Majority Leader**

January 3, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Senate Rule [20 \(2\) \(a\)](#), I have made the following appointments:

Senate Standing Committees:

To the Senate Committee on **Agriculture, Forestry, and Higher Education:** Senators Kapanke (Chair), Harsdorf (Vice–Chair), Kedzie, Moulton, Vinehout, Hansen and Holperin.

To the Senate Committee on **Economic Development, Veterans and Military Affairs:** Senators Hopper (Chair), Zipperer (Vice–Chair), Darling, Wanggaard, Lassa, Cullen and Taylor.

To the Senate Committee on **Education:** Senators Olsen (Chair), Vukmir (Vice–Chair), Grothman, Darling, Jauch, Vinehout and Larson.

To the Senate Committee on **Energy, Biotechnology, and Consumer Protection:** Senators Cowles (Chair), Kapanke (Vice–Chair), Hopper, Wirch and Hansen.

To the Senate Committee on **Financial Institutions and Rural Issues:** Senators Schultz (Chair), Lasee (Vice–Chair), Kapanke, Lassa and Vinehout.

To the Senate Committee on **Health:** Senators Vukmir (Chair), Galloway (Vice–Chair), Moulton, Erpenbach and Carpenter.

To the Senate Committee on **Insurance and Housing:** Senators Lasee (Chair), Schultz (Vice–Chair), Olsen, Wanggaard, Carpenter, Coggs and Larson.

To the Senate Committee on **Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations:** Senators Zipperer (Chair), Kedzie (Vice–Chair), Galloway, Risser and Erpenbach.

To the Senate Committee on **Labor, Public Safety, and Urban Affairs:** Senators Wanggaard (Chair), Grothman (Vice–Chair), Lazich, Coggs and Wirch.

To the Senate Committee on **Natural Resources and Environment:** Senators Kedzie (Chair), Moulton (Vice–Chair), Wanggaard, Galloway, Wirch, Holperin and Larson.

To the Senate Committee on **Public Health, Human Services, and Revenue:** Senators Galloway (Chair), Lazich (Vice–Chair), Vukmir, Carpenter and Jauch.

To the Senate Committee on **State and Federal Relations and Information Technology:** Senators Harsdorf (Chair), Lasee (Vice–Chair), Zipperer, Hansen and Cullen.

To the Senate Committee on **Transportation and Elections:** Senators Lazich (Chair), Leibham (Vice–Chair), Lasee, Erpenbach and Coggs.

To the Senate Committee on **Workforce Development, Small Business, and Tourism:** Senators Moulton (Chair), Kapanke (Vice–Chair), Cowles, Holperin and Cullen.

Joint Committees:

To the Joint Committee for **Review of Administrative Rules:** Senators Vukmir (Co–Chair), Leibham, Grothman, Taylor and Risser.

To the **Joint Legislative Audit Committee:** Senators Cowles (Co–Chair), Darling (ex–officio), Lazich, Vinehout and Lassa.

To the **Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties**: Senators Zipperer (Co–Chair) and Taylor.

To the Joint Committee on **Employment Relations** (all ex–officio): Senators Ellis (Co–Chair), Fitzgerald, Darling and Miller.

To the Joint Committee on **Finance**: Senators Darling (Co–Chair), Olsen (Vice–Chair), Harsdorf, Grothman, Leibham, Hopper, Taylor and Jauch.

To the Joint Committee on **Information Policy and Technology**: Senators Harsdorf (Co–Chair), Cowles (Vice–Chair), Zipperer, Risser and Larson.

To the Joint Committee on **Legislative Organization** (all ex–officio): Senators Ellis (Co–Chair), Fitzgerald, Grothman, Miller and Hansen.

To the **Joint Legislative Council** (Senators Ellis, Leibham, Fitzgerald, Darling, Miller, and Taylor all ex–officio): Senators Ellis (Co–Chair), Fitzgerald, Leibham, Darling, Lazich, Schultz, Galloway, Miller, Taylor, Erpenbach and Cullen.

To the Joint Survey Committee on **Retirement Systems**: Senators Kapanke (Co–Chair), Wanggaard and Jauch.

To the Joint Survey Committee on **Tax Exemptions**: Senators Hopper (Co–Chair), Zipperer and Carpenter.

With regard to members of the minority party, appointments are made based on nominations by the Minority Leader.

Sincerely,
SCOTT FITZGERALD
Senate Majority Leader

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

By Patrick E. Fuller, chief clerk.

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that, pursuant to Assembly Resolution 1, the 2011–2010 Assembly is organized for the conduct of its business.

I am directed to inform you that the Assembly has concurred in:

Senate Joint Resolution 1

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read and referred:

Senate Joint Resolution 2

Relating to: the joint rules.

By Senators S. Fitzgerald and Ellis; cosponsored by Representatives J. Fitzgerald and Suder.

To committee on **Senate Organization**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

January 3, 2011

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 97, the attached lists shall be the seating chart and room assignments of the Senate for the 2011–12 Legislative Session.

<u>Senator</u>	<u>Room Number</u>
Tim Carpenter	19 South
Spencer Coggs	109 South
Robert Cowles	118 South
Timothy Cullen	108 South
Alberta Darling	317 East
Michael Ellis	220 South
Jon Erpenbach	106 South
Scott Fitzgerald	211 South
Pam Galloway	409 South
Glenn Grothman	10 South
Dave Hansen	5 South
Sheila Harsdorf	18 South
Jim Holperin	126 South
Randy Hopper	310 South
Bob Jauch	415 South
Dan Kapanke	316 South
Neal Kedzie	313 South
Chris Larson	22 South
Frank Lasee	104 South
Julie Lassa	7 South
Mary Lazich	8 South
Joseph Leibham	15 South
Mark Miller	206 South
Terry Moulton	306 South
Luther Olsen	123 South
Fred Risser	130 South
Dale Schultz	122 South
Lena Taylor	20 South
Kathleen Vinehout	3 South
Leah Vukmir	131 South
Van Wanggaard	319 South
Robert Wirch	127 South
Rich Zipperer	323 South

The Senate Session Chamber seating arrangement is listed from facing out from the President’s chair, going left to right, starting with the inner ring:

Senators Carpenter, Coggs, Wirch, Lassa, Cullen, Larson, Holperin, Erpenbach, Risser, Taylor, Vinehout and Jauch

Outer Ring:

Senators Ellis, Wanggaard, Cowles, Moulton, Harsdorf, Olsen, Vukmir, Schultz, Kedzie, Galloway, Leibham, Darling, Grothman, Fitzgerald, Miller, Hansen, Lasee, Kapanke, Hopper, Zipperer, and Lazich.

Ayes, 5 – Senators Fitzgerald, Ellis, Grothman, Miller, and Hansen.

Noes, 0–None.

Sincerely,
SCOTT FITZGERALD
Majority Leader
Chair, Committee on Senate Organization

January 3, 2011

The committee on **Senate Organization** reports:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 20 (1) (c), the attached list shall be the standing committees of the Senate for the 2011–12 Legislative Session:

Number of members on each committee are listed in parenthesis. 7 member committees will have 4 majority party

members and 3 minority party members. 5 member committees will have 3 majority party members and 2 minority party members.

Committee on:

- Agriculture, Forestry, and Higher Education (7)**
- Economic Development and Veterans and Military Affairs (7)**
- Education (7)**
- Energy, Biotechnology, and Consumer Protection (5)**
- Financial Institutions and Rural Issues (5)**
- Health (5)**
- Insurance and Housing (7)**
- Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations (5)**
- Labor, Public Safety, and Urban Affairs (5)**
- Natural Resources and Environment (7)**
- Public Health, Human Services, and Revenue (5)**
- State and Federal Relations and Information Technology (5)**
- Transportation and Elections (5)**
- Workforce Development, Small Business, and Tourism (5)**

Ayes, 5 – Senators Fitzgerald, Ellis, Grothman, Miller, and Hansen.

Noes, 0–None.

Sincerely,

SCOTT FITZGERALD

Majority Leader

Chair, Committee on Senate Organization

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Senate Majority Leader**

January 4, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to Section 15.447 (1), Wisconsin Statutes and Senate Rule 20, I am appointing Senator Terry Moulton to the Council on Tourism.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

SCOTT FITZGERALD

Senate Majority Leader

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Senate Chief Clerk**

January 4, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

Pursuant to section 13.15 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Senate Rule 5, I do hereby appoint Jeffrey Renk as Assistant Chief Clerk of the Wisconsin Senate for 2011 legislative session, giving him all powers and duties as are derived from and inherent in said position and to perform the duties and functions of the office in the absence of the Senate Chief Clerk.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. MARCHANT

Senate Chief Clerk and Director of Operations

Jeffrey Renk was administered the oath of office by Senate President Michael Ellis on Tuesday, January 4, 2011.

**State of Wisconsin
Government Accountability Board**

January 4, 2011

The Honorable, The Senate:

The Government Accountability Board staff has received a number of inquiries concerning the last day on which the Legislature may act to ensure that a proposed constitutional amendment can be placed on the ballot for April 5, 2011 spring election. The Legislature must complete action on a proposed constitutional amendment no later than Tuesday, February 22, 2011.

By statute, all proposed constitutional amendments and any other measure or question that is to be submitted to a vote of the people shall be filed with the official or agency responsible for preparing the ballots for the election no later than 42 days before the election at which the amendment, measure or question will appear on the ballot, 8.37 Wis. Stats. Tuesday, February 22, 2011, is 42 days before the April 5, 2011 spring election.

In order for the legislative action to be filed in our office, it is sufficient for the chief clerks to notify our office by e-mail no later than Tuesday, February 22, 2011 the Legislature passed the resolution. It is not necessary that we receive the signed resolution by the close of business on Tuesday, February 22, 2011.

In order to facilitate preparation for the April 2011 spring election, I suggest sponsoring legislators contact the office of the Attorney General to make arrangements for the preparation of the explanatory statement required by 10.01(2)(c) Wis. Stats. The explanatory statement is published in the paper by the county clerk immediately before the election. It is also posted at the polling place on Election Day.

Please make the appropriate arrangements to ensure that this information is communicated to the members of the Legislature. If you or any member of the Legislature has a question, please contact me at 608–267–0715 or ask to speak to one of our Elections Specialists.

Sincerely,

KEVIN J. KENNEDY

Executive Director