



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Assembly Journal

One-Hundred and Fifth Regular Session

WEDNESDAY, June 30, 2021

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

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 20-011

Relating to general updates.

No action taken by committee on **Veterans and Military Affairs** on June 21, 2021.

To joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules** pursuant to s. 227.19 (5) (a), Wisconsin Statutes.

Referred on June 30, 2021.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 20-013

Relating to the veterans outreach and recovery program.

No action taken by committee on **Veterans and Military Affairs** on June 21, 2021.

To joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules** pursuant to s. 227.19 (5) (a), Wisconsin Statutes.

Referred on June 30, 2021.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 20-046

Relating to clarifying and streamlining certain regulatory requirements for septage servicing, and affecting small business.

No action taken by committee on **Small Business Development** on June 25, 2021.

To joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules** pursuant to s. 227.19 (5) (a), Wisconsin Statutes.

Referred on June 29, 2021.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 21-007

Relating to revisions to pupil nondiscrimination procedures.

No action taken by committee on **Education** on June 29, 2021.

To joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules** pursuant to s. 227.19 (5) (a), Wisconsin Statutes.

Referred on June 30, 2021.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 21-012

Relating to veterans assistance grants.

No action taken by committee on **Veterans and Military Affairs** on June 21, 2021.

To joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules** pursuant to s. 227.19 (5) (a), Wisconsin Statutes.

Referred on June 30, 2021.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 21-023

Relating to the provisions and administration of the Universal Service Fund (USF).

Submitted by Public Service Commission.

Report received from Agency, June 15, 2021.

To committee on **Energy and Utilities**.

Referred on June 29, 2021.

Assembly Clearinghouse Rule 21-031

Relating to age waivers for general educational development tests.

No action taken by committee on **Education** on June 29, 2021.

To joint committee for review of **Administrative Rules** pursuant to s. 227.19 (5) (a), Wisconsin Statutes.

Referred on June 30, 2021.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor
Madison

June 30, 2021

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

The following bill, originating in the Assembly, has 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 374	57	June 30, 2021

Respectfully submitted,
TONY EVERS
Governor

Pursuant to s. 35.095 (1)(b), Wisconsin Statutes, the following 2021 Act has been published:

<u>Act Number</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
Wisconsin Act 57	Assembly Bill 374	July 1, 2021

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

June 29, 2021

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

The following bill, originating in the Assembly, has been vetoed in its entirety, and was returned to its house of origin, together with the objections in writing:

<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Date of Veto</u>
Assembly Bill 336	June 29, 2021

I am vetoing Assembly Bill 336 in its entirety.

June 30, 2021

This bill would require the Department of Workforce Development to terminate participation in federal unemployment insurance programs that provide supplemental benefits in addition to regular unemployment insurance benefits, including: pandemic unemployment assistance, pandemic emergency unemployment compensation, federal pandemic unemployment compensation, and mixed earner unemployment compensation. This bill would also prohibit the department from waiving work search requirements for any reason related to COVID-19, the COVID-19 pandemic, or a public emergency related to COVID-19.

I am vetoing this bill for two reasons. First, I object to the interference and encroachment by the Legislature on the executive branch's constitutional and statutory authority to administer programs and policies, in this case, the unemployment insurance program.

Second, I am vetoing the bill because it would eliminate economic assistance for individuals whose employers or occupations have been most adversely affected by the pandemic. There is a lack of evidence to support the notion that eliminating supplemental unemployment insurance benefits would bring more individuals into the workforce. Many of the most hard-hit areas are located in both rural parts of the state that had slower pre-pandemic job growth as well as urban areas with job sectors such as hospitality or tourism that had to adapt to profound changes in business operations. Eliminating this lifeline for many Wisconsinites will cause continued economic hardships for those impacted the most by the pandemic and create additional hurdles for individuals to return to family-sustaining jobs. As a result, the entire state economy likely would be negatively affected. The Legislature needs to confront issues surrounding childcare, wages, and workplace COVID-19 safety for those returning to the workforce. Eliminating the supplemental federal benefits while simultaneously failing to address systemic problems faced by individuals remaining in and returning to the workforce is irresponsible.

Finally, with the enhanced benefits still in place, Wisconsin's labor force participation rate is higher than the national rate and the state's unemployment rate has nearly returned to pre-pandemic levels—3.9 percent—which is nearly two full points lower than the national average and among the best in the country. Wisconsinites are hard-working people, and these numbers demonstrate as much. I am opposed to changes that would have such a profound effect on our neighbors who are struggling the most.

Sincerely,
 TONY EVERS
 Governor of Wisconsin

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

The following bill, originating in the Assembly, has been vetoed in its entirety, and was returned to its house of origin, together with the objections in writing:

<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Date of Veto</u>
Assembly Bill 173	June 30, 2021

I am vetoing Assembly Bill 173 in its entirety.

This bill would generally prohibit any county or municipality from applying for or accepting any non-governmental grants or donations for election administration. The bill would allow the Wisconsin Elections Commission to accept a private donation or grant intended for municipalities unless the grant stipulates specific purposes for use or contains a requirement to repay for any reason. The commission would have to distribute the funding to each municipality on a per capita basis to offset the municipality's election administration expenses, with all receiving at least \$25, and only with the approval of the Joint Committee on Finance. Finally, the bill would create new requirements for serving as an election tabulator and new restrictions regarding who can serve as a poll worker.

I am vetoing this bill because I object to restrictions on local governments potentially using supplemental funding for election administration. During the coronavirus pandemic, our state and local election officials performed admirably to ensure the 2020 elections in each of our communities were conducted freely, fairly, and in accordance with our election laws. Counties, towns, villages, and cities across the state—both big and small, urban and rural—received non-governmental grants, which helped them conduct safe elections under extraordinary circumstances. In accordance with election laws, these resources were used to pay poll workers and purchase personal protective equipment and supplies, thereby keeping our elections safe for poll workers and voters alike.

Regardless of the source of additional funding for election administration, election administrators must always run elections according to state and federal law. Our election laws are robust and lay out clear procedures for how municipal and county officials must administer an election, a process that is not threatened by a municipality applying for and accepting additional resources. By generally prohibiting donations or grants, this bill unnecessarily restricts the use of resources that may be needed to ensure elections are administered effectively. Finally, the acceptance and expenditure of a grant would also be governed by statutory provisions that dictate how amendments to municipal budgets must be noticed and approved, thereby ensuring transparency for interested parties.

Sincerely,
 TONY EVERS
 Governor of Wisconsin

COMMUNICATIONS

June 29, 2021

Edward A. Blazel
 Assembly Chief Clerk
 17 West Main Street, Suite 401
 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Chief Clerk Blazel:

Please add my name as a co-author of Assembly Bill 405, relating to special observance days in schools.

Please add my name as a co-author of Assembly Bill 412, relating to creating a foster parents' bill of rights.

Please add my name as a co-author of Assembly Bill 420, relating to payments to an independent charter school authorized by a tribal college.

Sincerely,
CHUCK WICHGERS
 State Representative
 83rd Assembly District

AGENCY REPORTS

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 13.172 (2) and (3), following is a list of agency reports received from executive branch and legislative service agencies for the month of June, 2021.

Wisconsin Ethics Commission
Updated list of authorized lobbyists
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.685 (7)
 Received on June 1, 2021
 Referred to **State Affairs**

Department of Administration
FY20 State of Wisconsin Contractual Services Purchasing Report
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 16.705 (8)
 Received on June 3, 2021
 Referred to **State Affairs**

Department of Children and Families
90 Day Final Summary Report for Child Death, Serious Injury and Egregious Incident
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 48.981 (7)(cr)3.b.
 Received on June 3, 2021
 Referred to **Children and Families**

Wisconsin Elections Commission
Report of Suspected Election Fraud, Irregularities or Violations
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 7.15 (1)(g)
 Received on June 3, 2021
 Referred to **Campaign and Elections**

Wisconsin Elections Commission
Wisconsin Elections Commission Policies and Procedures
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 5.05 (16)(a)
 Received on June 7, 2021
 Referred to **Campaign and Elections**

Wisconsin Ethics Commission
Updated list of authorized lobbyists
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.685 (7)
 Received on June 8, 2021
 Referred to **State Affairs**

Department of Health Services
Mental Health and Substance Use Services and Programs Provided By Wisconsin Counties and Regions CY 2018 and CY 2019
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 51.42 (7)(d)
 Received on June 8, 2021
 Referred to **Mental Health**

Department of Children and Families
90 Day Final Summary Report for Child Death, Serious Injury and Egregious Incident
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 48.981 (7)(cr)3.b.
 Received on June 8, 2021
 Referred to **Children and Families**

Department of Administration
Proposed Lease Notification: Department of Justice - Division of Criminal Investigation in Brookfield, WI
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 16.84 (5)(a)
 Received on June 8, 2021
 Referred to **State Affairs**

Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board
SFY20-21 Biennial Program Evaluation Report
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 48.982 (7)(h)
 Received on June 15, 2021
 Referred to **Children and Families**

Wisconsin Ethics Commission
Updated list of authorized lobbyists
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.685 (7)
 Received on June 15, 2021
 Referred to **State Affairs**

Wisconsin Ethics Commission
Updated list of authorized lobbyists
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.685 (7)
 Received on June 22, 2021
 Referred to **State Affairs**

Department of Children and Families
SFY 2019 & 2020 Grants to support foster parents and children in out-of-home care report
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 20.437 (1)(bg).
 Received on June 22, 2021
 Referred to **Children and Families**

Department of Children and Families
90 Day Final Summary Report for Child Death, Serious Injury and Egregious Incident
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 48.981 (7)(cr)3.b.
 Received on June 23, 2021
 Referred to **Children and Families**

Department of Natural Resources
Biennial Report: Wisconsin Council on Forestry 2019-2020
 Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 26.02 (2)(b)
 Received on June 24, 2021
 Referred to **Forestry, Parks and Outdoor Recreation**

Wisconsin Legislative Council

2020 Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse Annual Report

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 227.15 (5)

Received on June 25, 2021

State of Wisconsin Investment Board

Investment Policies, Objectives and Guidelines

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 25.17 (14r)

Received on June 25, 2021

Department of Veterans Affairs

FY20 Veterans Employment and Entrepreneurship Grant Program Report

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 45.437 (3)

Received on June 28, 2021

Referred to **Veterans and Military Affairs**

Department of Administration

Proposed Lease Notification: Intent to Exercise two 1-Year Lease Renewal Options with an Annual Rent in Excess of \$500,000 – University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire, Student Housing

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 16.84 (5)(a)

Received on June 28, 2021

Referred to **State Affairs**

Wisconsin Ethics Commission

Updated list of authorized lobbyists

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.685 (7)

Received on June 29, 2021

Referred to **State Affairs**

Department of Children and Families

Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Grants Program

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 49.175 (1)(uk)

Received on June 29, 2021

Referred to **Children and Families**

Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District

2020 Financial Statements

Received on June 29, 2021

Department of Children and Families

90 Day Final Summary Report for Child Death, Serious Injury and Egregious Incident

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 48.981 (7)(cr)3.b.

Received on June 29, 2021

Referred to **Children and Families**

Wisconsin Technical College System

Grants to Students to Meet Emergency Financial Need

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 38.42 (6)(b)

Received on June 29, 2021

Referred to **Colleges and Universities**

Department of Health Services

Data Processing Projects Report

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 46.03 (26)

Received on June 29, 2021

Referred to **Health**

Legislative Audit Bureau

FY19-20 Wisconsin Lottery

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.94 (1)(em)

Received on June 30, 2021

Public Service Commission

Governor's Task Force on Broadband Access Report

Received on June 30, 2021

Referred to **Energy and Utilities**

Department of Workforce Development

Department of Health Services

Department of Public Instruction

2021 Joint Community Integrated Employment Report

2022-23 Joint Community Integrated Employment Plan

Pursuant to 2017 Wisconsin Act 178

Received on June 30, 2021

Referred to **Workforce Development; Health, and Education**

Wisconsin Elections Commission

Barriers Faced by Elderly Voters and Voters with Disabilities

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 5.25 (4)(d)

Received on June 30, 2021

Referred to **Campaigns and Elections**

Department of Administration

Temporary reallocation of balances

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 20.002 (11)(f)

Received on June 30, 2021

Referred to **Ways and Means** and joint committee on **Finance**