

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Assembly Journal

One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session

12:57 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 19, 2025

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

Speaker Pro Tempore Petersen in the chair.

Representative Summerfield asked unanimous consent for a quorum call. Granted.

A quorum was present.

Speaker Vos in the chair.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Radontae Ashford of The Infinite Church in Milwaukee.

Representative Penterman led the membership in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the United States of America flag.

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Present - Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Billings, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Clancy, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hong, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kaufert, Kirsch, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Madison, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Phelps, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Vining, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 98.

Absent with leave - Representative Stubbs - 1.

Vacancies - None.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Representative Subeck asked unanimous consent for a leave of absence for today's session for Representative Stubbs. Granted.

Representative Subeck asked unanimous consent for a leave of absence for part of today's session for Representative Snodgrass. Granted.

SPECIAL GUEST

Representative Allen introduced Hometown Hero Award Recipient Carol Ann Kay, recognized for her career integrating those with disabilities into the Waukesha community. Ms. Kay addressed the members from the rostrum.

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 23** offered by Representative Snyder.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Chief Clerk received the following coauthor and cosponsor requests on February 19, 2025:

Representative Tusler added as a coauthor of **Assembly Bill 21**, relating to: technical colleges' lease of their facilities to others.

Representative Tusler added as a coauthor of **Assembly Bill 42**, relating to: local regulation of fowl.

Representatives DeSmidt and Tusler added as coauthors of **Assembly Bill 43**, relating to: permitting pharmacists to prescribe certain contraceptives, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, granting rule-making authority, and providing a penalty.

Representative Tusler added as a coauthor of **Assembly Bill 44**, relating to: allowing advanced practice nurse prescribers to pronounce the date, time, and place of a patient's death for purposes of the preparation of death records.

Representative Tusler added as a coauthor of **Assembly Bill 47**, relating to: tuition and fee remission for certain veterans and their dependents enrolled in the University of Wisconsin System or a technical college.

Representative Tusler added as a coauthor of **Assembly Joint Resolution 8**, relating to: restricting the governor's partial veto authority to only rejecting entire bill sections of an appropriation bill that are capable of separate enactment and reducing appropriations in a bill (first consideration).

CALENDAR OF WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Representative August asked unanimous consent that **Assembly Joint Resolution 4** be withdrawn from today's calendar and taken up at this time. Granted.

Assembly Joint Resolution 4

Relating to: honoring the life and public service of Justice David T. Prosser Jr.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Joint Resolution 4** be adopted?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Joint Resolution 4** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Bill 1

Relating to: changes to the educational assessment program and the school and school district accountability report.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Bill 1** be ordered engrossed and read a third time?

Motion carried.

Representative Snodgrass asked unanimous consent that her leave of absence be lifted. Granted.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 1** be given a third reading. Granted.

The question was: **Assembly Bill 1** having been read three times, shall the bill be passed?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 54.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 44.

Absent or not voting - Representative Stubbs - 1.

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 1** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Bill 2

Relating to: requiring school boards to adopt policies to prohibit the use of wireless communication devices during instructional time.

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 2** offered by Representative Kitchens.

The question was: Shall Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 2 be adopted?

Motion carried.

The question was: Shall Assembly Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 2** be adopted?

Motion carried.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Bill 2** be ordered engrossed and read a third time?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 2** be given a third reading. Granted.

The question was: **Assembly Bill 2** having been read three times, shall the bill be passed?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 53.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 45.

Absent or not voting - Representative Stubbs - 1.

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 2** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Bill 3

Relating to: incorporating cursive writing into the state model English language arts standards and requiring cursive writing in elementary grades.

Representative Goodwin asked unanimous consent to be withdrawn as a coauthor of **Assembly Bill 3**. Granted.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Bill 3** be ordered engrossed and read a third time?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 3** be given a third reading. Granted.

The question was: **Assembly Bill 3** having been read three times, shall the bill be passed?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Spiros, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 51.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goeben, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Sortwell, Spaude, Steffen, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 46.

Absent or not voting - Representatives Kirsch and Stubbs - 2.

Motion carried.

Representative Kirsch asked unanimous consent to be recorded as voting "No" on the previous question. Granted.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 3** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Bill 4

Relating to: required instruction in civics in the elementary and high school grades, high school graduation requirements, and private school educational program criteria.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 4** offered by Representative Andraca.

POINT OF ORDER

Representative August rose to the point of order that Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 4** was not germane under Assembly Rule 54 (3)(f).

Speaker Pro Tempore Petersen ruled the point of order well taken.

Representative Subeck appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question was: Shall the ruling of the Chair stand as the ruling of the Assembly?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 54.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 44.

Absent or not voting - Representative Stubbs - 1.

Motion carried.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Bill 4** be ordered engrossed and read a third time?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 4** be given a third reading. Granted.

The question was: **Assembly Bill 4** having been read three times, shall the bill be passed?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 52.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goeben, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Sortwell, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 46.

Absent or not voting - Representative Stubbs - 1.

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 4** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Representative Subeck asked unanimous consent for a leave of absence for part of today's session for Representative Ortiz-Velez. Granted.

Assembly Bill 5

Relating to: requiring school boards to make textbooks, curricula, and instructional materials available for inspection by school district residents.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Bill 5** be ordered engrossed and read a third time?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 5** be given a third reading. Granted.

The question was: **Assembly Bill 5** having been read three times, shall the bill be passed?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 54.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 43.

Absent or not voting - Representatives Ortiz-Velez $\,$ and Stubbs - 2.

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 5** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Bill 6

Relating to: requiring a school board to spend at least 70 percent of its operating expenditures on direct classroom expenditures and annual pay increases for school administrators.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 6** offered by Representative Hong.

POINT OF ORDER

Representative August rose to the point of order that Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 6** was not germane under Assembly Rule 54 (3)(f).

Speaker Pro Tempore Petersen ruled the point of order well taken.

Representative Subeck appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question was: Shall the ruling of the Chair stand as the ruling of the Assembly?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 54.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 43.

Absent or not voting - Representatives Ortiz-Velez and Stubbs - 2.

Motion carried.

Assembly Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 6** offered by Representative Franklin.

The question was: Shall Assembly Amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 6** be adopted?

Motion carried.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Bill 6** be ordered engrossed and read a third time?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 6** be given a third reading. Granted.

The question was: **Assembly Bill 6** having been read three times, shall the bill be passed?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 53.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brill, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 44.

Absent or not voting - Representatives Ortiz-Velez $\,$ and Stubbs - 2.

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Bill 6** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Resolution 3

Relating to: observing February 28, 2025, as Rare Disease Day in Wisconsin.

Representatives DeSanto, Clancy, and Miresse asked unanimous consent to be added as coauthors of **Assembly Resolution 3**. Granted.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Resolution 3** be adopted?

Motion carried.

Assembly Resolution 4

Relating to: proclaiming our appreciation and respect for our Grocery and Retail Food Employees.

Representative Tenorio asked unanimous consent to be added as a coauthor of **Assembly Resolution 4**. Granted.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Resolution 4** be adopted?

Motion carried.

Assembly Joint Resolution 2

Relating to: celebrating the 51st anniversary of the American Birkebeiner and proclaiming February 17 to 23, 2025, as American Birkebeiner Week in Wisconsin.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Joint Resolution 2** be adopted?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Joint Resolution 2** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

Assembly Joint Resolution 5

Relating to: proclaiming February 2025 as Black History Month.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to **Assembly Joint Resolution 5** offered by Representative Haywood.

The question was: Shall Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to **Assembly Joint Resolution 5** be adopted?

Motion carried.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Joint Resolution 5** be adopted?

Motion carried.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Assembly Joint Resolution 5** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

VISITORS

During today's session, the following visitors honored the Assembly by their presence, and were welcomed by the presiding officer and the members:

Former State Representative Joe Handrick, guest of Representative Swearingen.

Members of the Wisconsin Rare Disease Alliance, guests of Representative Dittrich.

Isak Drangstveit, guest and intern of Representative Joers.

Sydney Davis, guest and intern of Representative Snodgrass.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative August moved that the Assembly stand adjourned pursuant to **Senate Joint Resolution 1**.

The question was: Shall the Assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The Assembly stood adjourned. 4:58 P.M.