

# STATE OF WISCONSIN

# Senate Journal

# One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session

12:45 P.M. TUESDAY, June 3, 2025

The Senate met.

The Senate was called to order by Senate President Felzkowski.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (6), the Chief Clerk made the following entries under the above date.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Government Operations**, **Labor and Economic Development** reported and recommended:

#### **Assembly Bill 140**

Relating to: limitations on the total value of taxable property that may be included in a tax incremental financing district created in the city of Port Washington.

Concurrence.

Ayes: 4 - Senators Feyen, Bradley, Spreitzer and Wirch.

Noes: 1 - Senator Kapenga.

#### Senate Bill 229

Relating to: transferring adjudicatory functions for worker's compensation from the Division of Hearings and Appeals in the Department of Administration to the Department of Workforce Development.

Passage.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Feyen, Kapenga, Bradley, Spreitzer and Wirch.

Noes: 0 - None.

#### Senate Bill 280

Relating to: interest earned on coronavirus state and local fiscal recovery funds.

Passage.

Ayes: 3 - Senators Feyen, Kapenga and Bradley.

Noes: 2 - Senators Spreitzer and Wirch.

#### Senate Bill 62

Relating to: financing the operating costs and certain outof-state projects of nonprofit institutions and compensation of employees of the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority.

Passage.

Ayes: 4 - Senators Feyen, Bradley, Spreitzer and Wirch.

Noes: 1 - Senator Kapenga.

DAN FEYEN Chairperson The committee on **Utilities**, **Technology and Tourism** reported and recommended:

#### Senate Bill 231

Relating to: creating a tax credit for expenses related to film production services and for capital investments made by a film production company, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Bradley, Feyen, James, Ratcliff and Smith.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Bradley, Feyen, James, Ratcliff and Smith.

Noes: 0 - None.

#### Senate Bill 255

Relating to: regulation of the Chippewa and Flambeau Improvement Company.

Passage.

 $Ayes\colon 5$  - Senators Bradley, Feyen, James, Ratcliff and Smith.

Noes: 0 - None.

## Senate Bill 256

Relating to: delivery network couriers and transportation network drivers, Department of Financial Institutions' approval to offer portable benefit accounts, providing for insurance coverage, modifying administrative rules related to accident and sickness insurance, and granting rule-making authority.

Passage.

Ayes: 3 - Senators Bradley, Feyen and James.

Noes: 2 - Senators Ratcliff and Smith.

JULIAN BRADLEY

Chairperson

# PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Wis. Stats. 13.172 (2) and (3), attached is the list of agency reports received from executive branch and legislative service agencies for the month of May, 2025

#### **Department of Administration**

State Council on Affirmative Action's 2024 Annual Report Pursuant to 230.46, Wis. Stats. Received on May 2, 2025.

#### Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board

Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board Biennial Program Evaluation Report

Pursuant to 48.982 (7)(h), Wis. Stats.

Received on May 12, 2025.

Referred to the committee on Mental Health, Substance Abuse Prevention, Children and Families.

#### **Wisconsin Elections Commission**

Barriers Faced by Voters with Disabilities and Elderly Voters Report

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

Received on May 28, 2025.

Referred to the committee on Government Operations, Labor and Economic Development.

# Department of Natural Resources

Wildlife Damage and Abatement Report Pursuant to 29.889 (11)(b), Wis. Stats.

Received on May 28, 2025.

Referred to the committee on Natural Resources, Veteran and Military Affairs.

#### **Wisconsin Council on Forestry**

Council on Forestry 2023-'24 Biennial Report

Pursuant to 26.02 (2), Wis. Stats.

Received on May 28, 2025.

Referred to the committee on Insurance, Housing, Rural Issues and Forestry.

#### Department of Administration

Temporary Reallocation Letter 5.31.2025 Pursuant to 20.002 (11)(f), Wis. Stats. Received on May 30, 2025. Referred to the joint committee on **Finance**.

# Motions Under Senate Rule 98 and Joint Rule 7 for the Month of May 2025

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate David Andersen in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Eric Andreo in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Keira Ayers in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Dora Drake, hereby recognize and commend Ascension Fellowship Church on the occasion of its 10th anniversary, and thank the congregation for its meaningful contributions to the Hampton Heights community and the City of Milwaukee.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Rex Bently in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Drew Bowe in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Lora Bowe in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Sarah Buchmann in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Marilyn Burish in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate David Cooley in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Heidi Culbertson in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Lizzy Dallas in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Anna Ebner in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Lisa Eslinger in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Quinton Felske in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Pamela Frederick in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Kendal Gaier in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jamie Wall, hereby recognize and commend Craig D. Gehlhoff for completing the Eagle Scout Rank requirements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Jeanette Geissler in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Amy Grenko in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Kristie Gustafson in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Chase Hanson in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Olivia Heidtke in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Julian Bradley and Brad Pfaff, and Representative Jill Billings, hereby commend and congratulate the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Women's Gymnastics Team on winning the 2025 National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) Championship Title.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Sheri Henneman in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Polly Hoffmann in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Nikki Holden in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Robert Hoover in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator André Jacque, hereby commend and congratulate Bill Jartz on retiring after a 40-year broadcasting career and hereby declares May 23, 2025 as "Bill Jartz Day" in the 1st Senate District.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Scott Johnson in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Krista Keech in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Susan Kern in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Sophia Koehler in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of State Senator Julian Bradley, hereby commend Sue Kolve's Salon & Day Spa on 40 years of serving the Coulee Region.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Robert Kremer in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Andrew Kressin in celebration of these academic achievements. The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Heidi Kuepfer in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Jeff Kvapil in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Jennifer Loomis in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Vyse Lor in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Dora Drake, hereby commend Mixed Generation for 31 years of service, inspiration, and community leadership, and extend best wishes for continued success.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Brant Malaney in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Charlize Martin in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Julian Bradley, hereby commend Coach Jenna Matz on both her impressive achievements and her ongoing pursuit of coaching excellence at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Romaine Quinn, hereby acknowledge and celebrate the life and service of William Charles Metnik.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Rob Hutton, hereby honor and commend Ed Miklavcic on his dedicated service to the United States, and thank him for all his contributions and accomplishments.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Jodine Muhlenbeck in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Julian Bradley and Representative Chuck Wichgers,

hereby congratulate Shannon McDonough on the occasion of her Eagle Scout Court of Honor and commend her for her exceptional service and lasting contributions to her community and Scouting.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Sandra McIlquham in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Julian Bradley and Representative Chuck Wichgers, hereby congratulate the Muskego Boys'/Coed Team Division I winners on their 2025 Wisconsin High School Bowling Club State Championship.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Julian Bradley and Representative Chuck Wichgers, hereby congratulate the Muskego Red Boys'/Coed Team on their 2025 Wisconsin Middle School Bowling Club State Championship.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Shannon Wahl in celebration ofher well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Collin Trigg in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Jeffrey Newton in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Kaelyn Nitz in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Randall Pempek in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Timothy Pomietlo in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Julian Bradley, hereby recognize and commend Andrew Pouchnik for his exceptional bravery, civic spirit, and steadfast support of law enforcement, and extend sincere thanks for his commitment to the safety and well-being of the Waukesha community.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Madilyn Rassier in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Kira Richardson in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James, Senator Romaine Quinn, Representative Karen Hurd, Representative Rob Summerfield, Representative David Armstrong, and Representative Clint Moses, hereby congratulate Chancellor James Schmidt on this new opportunity and wish him continued success in his new role.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Michelle Schotz in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Diane Scott in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Addison Seaholm in celebration of these academic achievements.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate Tamara Slowiak in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Rachael Cabral-Guevara and Representative Nate Gustafson, on behalf of the Wisconsin State Assembly and the Wisconsin State Senate, hereby commend and recognize Ciera Striley on her achievement of the Eagle Scout rank and join her family, peers, and community in commending Ciera on her hard work, strength of character, and dedication to her country and fellow citizens.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senators Jesse James and Jeff Smith, and Representatives Clint Moses and Rob Summerfield, hereby congratulate James Thornton in celebration of his well-deserved retirement and wish him continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senator Jesse James and Representative Karen Hurd, hereby congratulate Kari Thorpe in celebration of her well-deserved retirement and wish her continued success in future endeavors.

The Members of the Wisconsin Senate, on the motion of Senate Majority Leader Devin LeMahieu and Representative Lindee Rae Brill, hereby commend Josiah Peterson on being found worthy of the rank of Eagle Scout and join his family and community in congratulating him for his outstanding accomplishments.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Felzkowski, with unanimous consent, asked that the Senate stand adjourned until Thursday, June 5, 2025.

Adjourned.

12:46 P.M.