

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

AGENDA

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ADOPTION AND TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS LAW

(Rep. Suzanne Jeskewitz, Chair)

October 13, 2004 Legislative Council Conference Room

10:00 a.m.* CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.

10:05 a.m. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2004 MEETING.

10:10 a.m. TESTIMONY BY INVITED SPEAKERS:

- Dale Langer, Manager, Adoption and Consultation Section, Bureau of Programs and Policies, Division of Children and Family Services, Department of Health and Family Services.
- Mary Sowinski, Assistant District Attorney, Milwaukee District Attorney's Office.
- Representative David Ward.

11:15 a.m. DESCRIPTION OF MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED:

- Memo No. 5, Definition of "Relative" Following a Termination of Parental Rights (October 4, 2004).
- Memo No. 6, Adoption and Post-Adoption Financial and Other Assistance (October 5, 2004).
- WLC: 0015/1, relating to involuntary termination of parental rights based upon failure to assume parental responsibility.
- WLC: 0016/1, relating to adoption expenses.

- WLC: 0026/1, relating to fair hearings for head of foster, treatment foster, or group home.
- WLC: 0027/1, relating to prohibiting visitation prior to termination of parental rights.
- WLC: 0028/1, relating to filing of notice of intent to appeal.
- WLC: 0029/1, relating to false statements in the course of a termination of parental rights proceeding and providing a penalty.
- WLC: 0030/1, relating to creating a time limit for bringing a collateral attack against a judgment terminating parental rights.
- Facts and Procedural Status, submitted by Public Member Christopher Foley (undated).
- Memorandum, Declarations of Paternal Interest; Abandonment and Failure to Assume Parental Responsibility, submitted by Public Member Christopher Foley (September 22, 2004).
- 12:30 p.m. DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT.
- 2:00 p.m. OTHER BUSINESS.
- 2:05 p.m. PLANS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS.
- 2:10 p.m. ADJOURNMENT.

Other committee members: Sens. Plale and Reynolds; and Reps. Kestell and Sinicki; and Public Members Dreyfus, Ehmann, Foley, Hayes, Kenney, Proft, and Sampson.