Executive Branch

The executive branch: profile of the executive branch and descriptions of constitutional offices, departments, independent agencies, state authorities, regional agencies, and interstate agencies and compacts

Colonel Joseph Bailey of Red River is represented in this Hugo Ballin mural in the Governor’s Conference Room

(Sarah Girkin)
### ELECTIVE CONSTITUTIONAL EXECUTIVE STATE OFFICERS

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A PROFILE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Structure of the Executive Branch

The structure of Wisconsin state government is based on a separation of powers among the legislative, executive, and judicial branches. The legislative branch sets broad policy and establishes the general structures and regulations for carrying them out. The executive branch administers the programs and policies, while the judicial branch is responsible for adjudicating any conflicts that may arise from the interpretation or application of the laws.

Constitutional Officers. The executive branch includes the state’s six constitutional officers – the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, attorney general, and state superintendent of public instruction. Originally, the term of office for all constitutional officers was two years, but since the 1970 elections, their terms have been four years. All, except the state superintendent, are elected on partisan ballots in the fall elections of the even-numbered years at the midpoint between presidential elections. Though originally a partisan officer, the superintendent is now elected on a nonpartisan ballot in the April election.

The governor, as head of the executive branch, is constitutionally required to “take care that the laws be faithfully executed”. In Article V of the state constitution, as ratified in 1848, the people of Wisconsin provided for the election of a governor and a lieutenant governor who would become “acting governor” in the event of a vacancy in the governor’s office. Originally, the lieutenant governor was also the presiding officer of the senate. (By subsequent amendments, the lieutenant governor was relieved of senate duties and now assumes the full title of “governor” if the office is vacated.)

In Article VI, the constitution provided for three additional elected officers to assist in administering the laws of the new state. The first session of the legislature in 1848 authorized the secretary of state to keep official records, including enrolled laws and various state papers, and to act as state auditor by examining the treasurer’s books and preparing budget projections for the legislature. The state treasurer was given responsibility for receiving all money and tax collections and paying out only those amounts authorized by the legislature for the operation of state government. The attorney general was to provide legal advice to the legislature and other constitutional officers and represent the state in legal matters tried in the courts of this state, other states, and the federal government.

The sixth officer, created by Article X of the constitution, was the state superintendent of public instruction. The first legislature gave the superintendent very specific duties, including the mandate to travel throughout the state inspecting common schools and advocating good public schools. The superintendent was to recommend texts, take a census of school age children, collect statistics on existing schools, and determine the apportionment of school aids.

The simplicity of administering state government in the early years is illustrated by the fact that total expenditures for 1848 government operations were only $13,472, which included the expenses of the legislature and circuit courts. As prescribed by the constitution and state law, the salaries of all six constitutional officers totaled $5,050 that year. (The lieutenant governor did not receive a salary, but he was given a double legislative per diem.) The state’s annual budget totaled $34.8 billion in fiscal year 2014-15, and many of the duties first assigned to the constitutional officers are now carried out by specialized state agencies.

1967 Reorganization. Over a century later, the Wisconsin Committee on the Reorganization of the Executive Branch, in its report to the 1967 Legislature, concluded that state government could no longer be neatly divided into precise legislative, executive, and judicial domains. In many instances the subjects of legislation had become so technically complex that the legislature found it necessary to grant rule-making authority to the administrative agencies. The courts
had also encountered a staggering load of technical detail and had come to depend on administrative agencies to use their quasi-judicial powers to assist the judicial branch.

Although the Wisconsin Constitution delegated ultimate responsibility for state administration to the governor, the proliferation of agencies over the years had made it increasingly difficult for one official to exercise effective executive control. The committee identified 85 state agencies within the executive branch of Wisconsin state government, many of which had no direct relationship to the governor. Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, attempted to integrate agencies by function and make them responsive to the elected chief executive, by drastically reducing the number of executive agencies from 85 to 32. Like everything else, however, state government does not remain static. Since the 1967 reorganization, the legislature has created new state agencies, while abolishing or consolidating others. In addition, there have been numerous changes to the duties and responsibilities of the various agencies. The following sections describe the current organization of the executive branch.

Departments. The term “department” is used to designate a principal administrative agency within the executive branch. Within a department, the major subunit is the division, which is headed by an administrator. Each division, in turn, is divided into bureaus, headed by directors. Bureaus may include sections, headed by chiefs, and smaller units, headed by supervisors. There currently are 17 departments in the executive branch.

**Wisconsin Administrative Departments**

- Administration
- Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
- Children and Families
- Corrections
- Employee Trust Funds
- Financial Institutions
- Health Services
- Justice
- Military Affairs
- Natural Resources
- Public Instruction
- Revenue
- Safety and Professional Services
- Tourism
- Transportation
- Veterans Affairs
- Workforce Development

In the majority of cases, the departments are headed by a secretary appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Only the Department of Employee Trust Funds and the Department of Veterans Affairs are headed by boards that select the secretary. When administrators are personally chosen by and serve at the pleasure of the governor, they usually work in close cooperation with the chief executive.

Debate about whether the governor should directly appoint department heads continues. Public administration theory has long held that a governor can be the chief executive only if he or she has the authority to hold department heads directly accountable. On the other hand, the original purpose of a board was to insulate a department from politics, thereby enabling its head and staff to develop expertise and a sense of professionalism.

Independent Agencies. In addition to constitutional offices and administrative departments, there are 10 units of the executive branch that have been specifically designated as independent agencies.

**Independent Executive Agencies**

- Educational Communications Board
- Government Accountability Board
- Higher Educational Aids Board
- State Historical Society of Wisconsin
- Office of the Commissioner of Insurance
- State Investment Board
- State Public Defender Board
- Public Service Commission
- Technical College System
- University of Wisconsin System

Although the independent agencies are usually headed by part-time boards or multiple commissioners, the governor appoints most of these officials, with advice and consent of the senate, which serves to strengthen executive control of these units.

Authorities. In some instances, the legislature has decided to create corporate public bodies, known as “authorities”, to handle specific functions. Although they are agencies of the
state, the authorities operate outside the regular government structure and are intended to be financially self-sufficient. Currently, there are 7 authorities provided for by Wisconsin law—the Wisconsin Aerospace Authority (WAA), the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, the Fox River Navigational System Authority, the Lower Fox River Remediation Authority, the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority (WHEFA), the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA), and the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority. WAA, the Lower Fox River Remediation Authority, WHEDA, WHEFA, and UW Hospitals and Clinics Authority are authorized to issue bonds to finance their respective activities. Most authority members are appointed by the governor with advice and consent of the senate, but some are chosen from the legislature or serve as ex officio members.

**Nonprofit Corporation.** In 1985, the legislature created the Bradley Center Sports and Entertainment Corporation, a public, nonprofit corporation, which operates the Bradley Center in Milwaukee, the home of the Milwaukee Bucks, the Milwaukee Admirals hockey team, and the Marquette University basketball team. The corporation is headed by a board of directors appointed by the governor.

**Special Districts.** The legislature may create special districts that serve “a statewide public purpose.” These districts oversee the management of facilities for exposition centers, sports teams, and the cultural arts. Members of the governing boards are appointed by public officials. Currently, the Wisconsin Center, Miller Park, and Lambeau Field operate as special districts.

**Boards, Councils, and Committees.** Many departments and agencies have subordinate part-time boards, councils, and committees that carry out specific tasks or act in an advisory capacity. Boards may function as policy-making units, and some are granted policy-making or quasi-judicial powers. Examining boards set the standards of professional competence and conduct for the professions they supervise, and they are authorized to examine new practitioners, grant licenses, and investigate complaints of alleged unprofessional conduct. Councils function on a continuing basis to study and recommend solutions for problems arising in a specified functional area of state government. Committees usually are short-term bodies, appointed to study a specific problem and to recommend solutions or policy alternatives.

Boards are always created by statute. Councils are usually created by statute, but committees, because of their temporary nature, are created by session law rather than being written into the statutes. In addition, agency heads may create and appoint their own councils or committees as needed. The Blue Book describes only those units created by statute.

**Attached Units.** Under the 1967 reorganization, certain boards, commissions, and councils were attached to departments or independent agencies for administrative purposes only. These units are sometimes referred to as “15.03 units” because of the statutory section number that defines them. The larger agencies are expected to provide various services, such as budgeting and program coordination, but the 15.03 units exercise their statutory powers independently of the department or agency to which they are attached.

**Government Employment**

**Classified Service.** An important feature of Wisconsin state government employment is the merit system. Wisconsin’s civil service, which is called “classified service”, is designed to ensure that the most qualified person is hired for the job, based on test results and experience, rather than political affiliation. In 1905, Wisconsin was one of the first states to adopt such a system, and the Wisconsin classified service was considered one of the strongest because it encompassed the major portion of state personnel.

Since the 1967 reorganization of the executive branch, the trend has been to make top agency positions, including deputy secretaries, assistant deputy secretaries, and division administrators, unclassified appointments. Despite this change at the top levels, most state employees, with the principal exception of legislative staff and the University of Wisconsin faculty and academic appointments, are hired and promoted through the classified service on the basis of merit.

**Salaries.** Positions in the classified service are categorized so that those involving similar duties, responsibilities, and qualifications are paid on the same basis. The Office of State Em-
ployment Relations (OSER) is directed to apply the principle of equal pay for equivalent skills and responsibilities when assigning a classification to a pay range.

Each biennium, OSER establishes the compensation plan of classifications and related salary ranges for classified employees subject to modification by the Joint Committee on Employment Relations. The governor may veto the committee’s actions, although the vote of six committee members can override a veto. Some provisions of the compensation plan, as approved by the committee, may require changes in existing law, in which case they must be presented in bill form to the legislature for enactment.

**Number of State Employees.** The increasing size and complexity of state government is reflected in the number of employees. To illustrate this, a total of 1,924 people worked for Wisconsin state government in 1906. By contrast, according to the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, 70,357 full-time equivalent employee positions were authorized for fiscal year 2014-15.

**Housing State Government**

The first capitol in Madison was built during the Wisconsin Territory days at a cost of more than $60,000. Construction began in 1837 but was not completed until 1845. The building, which served as the first state capitol, was demolished in 1863 to make way for a larger second capitol, which was completed in 1866. When the second state capitol was extensively damaged by fire in 1904, construction of the current capitol began. The present capitol, which was completed in 1917 for $7,203,826.35, also underwent an extensive restoration and renovation that was completed in 2001, costing more than $140 million.

Today, the agencies of state government in Madison are housed in the capitol and various state-owned office buildings, with additional space leased from private landlords. There are also state office buildings in Eau Claire, Green Bay, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Waukesha, and Wisconsin Rapids, plus district offices maintained throughout the state for the field units of many of the operating departments.

Besides its office buildings, the state owns or maintains a variety of educational, correctional, and mental health institutions across Wisconsin. The University of Wisconsin System operates 13 degree-granting institutions and 13 two-year colleges that feature freshman-sophomore instruction.

The state’s adult corrections program, under the direction of the Department of Corrections, currently operates 5 maximum security prisons, 11 medium security prisons, 2 minimum security institutions, a prison for women, and 16 correctional centers. The department’s juvenile corrections program operates Lincoln Hills School for male juveniles and Copper Lake School for Girls, both at Irma, and the Grow Academy.

Through the Department of Health Services, the state operates 4 mental health institutions at Madison, Mauston, and Winnebago, and 3 centers for the developmentally disabled at Madison, Chippewa Falls, and Union Grove. The department also operates the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center, a secure juvenile correctional facility in an inpatient mental hospital setting.

The Department of Public Instruction maintains a school that offers special training for blind and visually impaired students at Janesville and a similar school for the deaf and hard-of-hearing at Delavan. The Wisconsin Veterans Homes at Chippewa Falls in Chippewa County, King in Waupaca County, and Union Grove in Racine County are operated by the state to serve eligible Wisconsin veterans and qualifying spouses.

**Functions of the Executive Branch**

**Governor and Lieutenant Governor.** The governor, as Wisconsin’s chief executive officer, represents all the people of the state. Because of this, the Office of the Governor is the focal point for receiving suggestions and complaints about state affairs. Administratively, the governor exercises authority through the power of appointment, consultation with department heads, and execution of the executive budget after its enactment by the legislature. The governor plays a key role in the legislative process through drafting the initial version of the biennial budget, which is submitted to the legislature in the form of a bill. Other opportunities to influence legislative action arise in the chief executive’s state of the state message and special messages to the legislature about topics of concern. The governor also shapes the legislative process through the
power to veto bills, call special sessions of the legislature, and appoint committees or task forces to study state problems and make recommendations for changes in the law.

Based on a 1979 amendment, the constitution provides that if the incumbent governor dies, resigns, or is removed from office, the lieutenant governor becomes governor for the unexpired term. The lieutenant governor serves temporarily as “acting governor” when the governor is impeached, incapacitated, or absent from the state.

**Commerce.** While the U.S. Constitution specifically delegates to Congress the regulation of interstate commerce, each state regulates intrastate commerce within its borders. The definitions of interstate and intrastate commerce overlap at times, and over the years the U.S. Supreme Court has greatly broadened the meaning of the “commerce clause” in the federal constitution. Despite this broad interpretation, the states continue to exercise considerable authority over commerce.

Commerce involves goods, services, and commercial documents, as well as transportation and communication, so the state’s involvement in regulating commerce is broad. The state’s primary objective is to protect the public as consumers and as participants in financial transactions. Wisconsin state government is also interested in maintaining a stable, orderly market for carrying out commercial activities and for promoting the state’s economic development.

One aspect of consumer protection is the inspection of farm products and the conditions under which they are produced. The state inspects cattle for infectious diseases, conducts research in animal and plant diseases, regulates the use of pesticides, grades fruits and vegetables for marketing, and sets standards for processed food. Explicit standards are set by law or in the administrative rules promulgated by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. The department is concerned not only with the conditions of growing and processing food but also with fair trade practices in its sale.

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*Students from Saint Bruno and Saint Paul elementary schools in the Kettle Moraine area brought a banner to the State Capitol on the birthday of the state, May 29, 1848. (Jay Salvo, Legislative Photographer)*
Another important aspect of consumer protection is the licensing of various trades and professions. Individuals working in certain professions must achieve state-mandated levels of training and proficiency before they can offer their services to the public. Examples include professions affecting public health, such as doctors and nurses, or public safety, such as architects and engineers. The Department of Safety and Professional Services assists a variety of examining boards associated with various trades and professions and directly regulates certain types of professional activity. In the interests of public safety and welfare, the state enforces laws that regulate public and private buildings. The Department of Safety and Professional Services enforces dwelling codes, reviews construction plans for new buildings, inspects subsystems that serve buildings, and performs training and consulting services for the building industry.

The state protects consumers by maintaining an orderly market in which the public can conduct business. State activities include specifying methods of fair competition, regulating rates for public utilities, setting standards for the operation of financial institutions, regulating gambling, and regulating the sale of securities and insurance. The Department of Financial Institutions regulates banks, savings institutions, credit unions, and the sale of securities. It also registers trademarks, corporations, and other organizations and files Uniform Commercial Code documents. The Office of the Commissioner of Insurance regulates the sale of insurance. The Public Service Commission regulates public utility rates and services. The Gaming Division in the Department of Administration regulates charitable gambling and oversees gaming compacts between Indian tribes and the state. The Department of Revenue administers the Wisconsin Lottery.

The state is concerned with promoting economic development. The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation develops and implements programs to provide business support and expertise and financial assistance to companies that are investing and creating jobs in Wisconsin and to promote new business start-ups and business growth and expansion in the state. The Department of Tourism promotes travel to Wisconsin’s scenic, historic, artistic, educational, and recreational sites. It stimulates the development of private commercial tourist facilities and encourages local tourist-related businesses.

**Education.** Wisconsin officially recognized the importance of education within a democratic society at statehood in 1848 when it provided for the establishment of local schools in the state constitution and required that education be free to all children. The constitution further directed the legislature to establish a state university at Madison and colleges throughout the state as needed.

Wisconsin’s public educational institutions now enroll an estimated one million students each year. In fall 2014, there were 870,652 pupils in the public elementary (606,869) and secondary (263,783) schools and 180,979 students enrolled in the University of Wisconsin System. The Technical College System enrolled 122,656 students in its associate degree programs for the 2013-14 school year and 203,888 in its other programs.

Wisconsin relies on 424 local school districts to administer its elementary and secondary programs. Twelve cooperative educational service agencies (CESAs) furnish support activities to the local districts on a regional basis, and the Department of Public Instruction, headed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, a nonpartisan constitutional officer, provides supervision and consultation for the districts.

In 1970, the state was divided into 16 vocational, technical, and adult education districts. These districts, renamed technical college districts, are each supervised by a district board that has taxing power. At the state level, the Technical College System Board supervises the districts.

At the collegiate level, all state-financed institutions of higher education are integrated into a single University of Wisconsin System. The system’s 13 degree-granting institutions provide courses of baccalaureate study and offer programs leading to doctoral degrees. The 13 UW Colleges provide 2-year courses of college-level study. State funding also supports Wisconsin residents enrolled at the Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc.

Three other state agencies perform educational functions. The Higher Educational Aids Board administers federal and state student financial assistance programs. The Educational Communications Board operates the state’s networks for educational radio and educational tele-
vision. The State Historical Society of Wisconsin maintains the state historical library, museum, and various historic sites.

**Environmental Resources and Transportation.** From a wilderness inhabited by 305,391 people in 1850, the state has evolved into a complex society with a population of 5,686,986 in April 2010, according to the U.S. decennial census. According to the Wisconsin Department of Administration’s Demographic Services Center, the estimated state population as of January 1, 2014, was 5,732,981. Most of Wisconsin is not densely populated, and the state has a comparatively large amount of open space. However, population growth, higher levels of consumption, and industrial development have increased environmental pollution.

Once pioneers could come to a wilderness, cut the forests, clear the land, and hunt and fish with little thought of damage to the soil, streams, or wildlife. Now these resources must be protected from destruction, depletion, or extinction. The Department of Natural Resources administers numerous programs that control water quality, air pollution, and solid waste disposal. Under state regulations, municipalities and industries cannot dump untreated sewage or industrial wastes into surface waters; smokestacks and automobiles must meet air pollution limits; farmers are encouraged to preserve soil and groundwater quality; and solid waste disposal facilities must meet construction and operation standards. The department regulates hunting and fishing to protect fish and wildlife resources and manages other programs designed to conserve and restore endangered and threatened species. It also promotes recreational and educational opportunities through state parks, forests, trails, and natural areas.

The Department of Transportation administers a variety of programs related to environmental resources. The highways that crisscross the state have a major impact on land use and people’s lifestyles. Urban freeways and interstate highways greatly affect the use and development of surrounding land. They determine where people live, work, and play. When state government plans the location and financing of highways and roads, it must carefully consider both short- and long-range consequences.

The state’s highway system consists of approximately 11,800 miles of interstate highways, state highways, county trunk highways, town roads, city and village streets, and park and forest roads. The state is concerned not only with building and maintaining adequate roads to meet demands, but also with providing for the safety of travelers using those roads. In 2015, nearly 5.5 million vehicles were registered in Wisconsin, and more than 4.5 million residents were licensed to drive. With 498 traffic fatalities in 2014, traffic safety is a constant concern.

The department must ensure that licensed drivers know the laws, are physically fit to drive, and have the required driving skills. It keeps track of drivers’ records and can suspend the licenses of those who prove hazardous to themselves or others. It oversees highway construction and maintenance, highway patrol, and enforcement of driver and vehicle standards. The department is also involved in developing aviation and airports in Wisconsin and with promoting mass transit and passenger rail transportation.

**Human Relations and Resources.** Besides protecting the environment, the state must also protect its citizens directly. Population growth that affects the quality of land, water, and air resources has an increasingly complex effect on people themselves and their relationships to each other and their government. The inhabitants of a state are its prime resource, and government must ensure their general welfare. Records of birth, marriage, divorce, and death are collected and used to identify trends and potential problems.

In the state’s early days, public health was primarily concerned with preventing the spread of communicable diseases. Today, the work of the Department of Health Services includes protection from biological terrorist attacks, disease prevention and detection, health education programs, and maintenance of institutions for the care and treatment of the mentally handicapped or mentally ill. The department is also responsible for a broad range of social services for the aged, the handicapped, and children.

A wide range of work-related issues are subject to state regulation. Minimum wages and maximum hours are set by law. If a worker is injured on the job, state worker’s compensation may be available; unemployment compensation helps many workers faced with loss of a job. If a worker is seeking a job, the state (in partnership with the federal government) provides a job
service to help the individual find work or to acquire the skills necessary for employment. If a worker suspects job discrimination because of age, race, creed, color, handicap, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, or arrest or conviction record, the state may investigate the matter. The Department of Workforce Development is responsible for protecting and assisting workers and provides employment and assistance to rehabilitate the disabled. The Department of Children and Families provides training and other services to help welfare recipients join the labor market under the state’s Wisconsin Works (W-2) program. The Employment Relations Commission mediates or arbitrates labor disputes between workers and their employers.

The Department of Veterans Affairs has grant and loan programs to help eligible veterans acquire a home, business, or education, and it provides personal and medical care for eligible elderly veterans and their spouses at the Wisconsin Veterans Homes at Chippewa Falls, King, and Union Grove.

The state also protects its citizens from society’s lawless elements by maintaining stability and order. Law enforcement is largely a local matter, but the Department of Corrections is responsible for segregating convicted adult and juvenile offenders in its penal institutions and rehabilitating them for eventual return to society. The Office of the State Public Defender represents indigents in trial and postconviction legal proceedings. The Department of Justice furnishes legal services to state agencies and technical assistance and training to local law enforcement agencies. It also enforces state laws against gambling, arson, child pornography, and narcotic drugs.

The state maintains an armed military force, the Wisconsin National Guard, to protect the populace in times of state or national emergency, whether natural or human caused, and to supplement the federal armed forces in time of war. These activities come under the jurisdiction of the Department of Military Affairs.

**General Executive Functions.** The services described so far are direct services to the public. In order for the state to perform these functions, it must also perform certain “staff” functions. The state requires general departments that oversee the hiring of agency personnel and provide space, equipment, salaries, and a retirement system for them. It must levy and collect taxes to support its activities, manage these state funds, and ensure that they are spent according to law. It also evaluates agency operations to assure that the various departments are performing their assigned tasks and preparing for future needs.

Some agencies are designed to perform staff functions almost exclusively. The Department of Administration, for example, is called the state’s “housekeeping” department. Its duties include state budgeting, preauditing, engineering and facilities management, state planning, and data processing. The Office of State Employment Relations operates the state’s classified service system. The Department of Revenue collects taxes levied by state law, distributes part of that revenue to local units of government, and calculates the equalized value of the property that has been assessed by local government.

The Department of Employee Trust Funds manages the state’s retirement systems and the employee insurance programs that cover state and local government workers. At any one time, the state must have large sums of money in its employee trust funds to meet its obligations. The Investment Board invests these funds in stocks, bonds, and real estate in order to earn the maximum amount of interest possible until the funds are needed. The Department of Administration processes the receipt and disbursement of these and other state moneys.

The Office of the Secretary of State handles general executive duties, such as keeping various state records and affixing the state seal on certain records. The Government Accountability Board oversees the state’s election processes, monitors campaign expenditures, keeps election records, administers a code of ethics for state public officials, and regulates lobbyists and their employers.

This introduction illustrates how state government both benefits and regulates dozens of aspects of life in Wisconsin. The following sections describe in detail the agencies that make up the executive branch of state government and the numerous services they perform each day.
Total Budget, under each agency’s entry, reflects the dollars budgeted during the 2013-14 legislative session for the 2013-15 fiscal biennium (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015). These figures are based on the final published appropriation schedule under Chapter 20, Wisconsin Statutes, and do not include statutorily-directed funding modifications or supplemental funding adjustments.

Number of Employees are the number of full-time equivalent positions authorized in the agency’s 2014-15 “adjusted base”, which is the set of figures each agency uses to begin budgeting for the next biennium.

Budget and employee data provided by the Legislative Fiscal Bureau. Telephone numbers listed without an area code are Madison numbers in area code 608.
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Constitutional Reference: Article V.
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Agency Responsibility: As the state’s chief executive, the governor represents all the people and is responsible for safeguarding the public interest. The constitution sets certain limits on the governor’s powers, but the increased size and complexity of state government have given the governor’s office many more responsibilities than it originally had.

The governor gives policy direction to the state and plays an important role in the legislative process. Through the biennial budget, developed and administrated in conjunction with the Department of Administration and various agency heads, the governor ultimately reviews and directs the activities of all administrative agencies. Major policy changes are highlighted in the governor’s annual state of the state message and other special messages to the legislature.

The governor has other specialized powers related to the legislative process. The chief executive may call a special legislative session to deal with specific legislation, may veto an entire bill, or may veto parts of appropriation bills. In the case of either whole or partial vetoes, a two-thirds vote of the members present in each house of the legislature is required to override the governor’s action.

Although various administrators direct the day-to-day operations of state agencies, the governor is considered the head of the executive branch. For the most part, the individuals, commissions, or part-time boards that head the major administrative departments are appointed by,
and serve at the pleasure of the governor, although many of these appointments require senate confirmation.

As the state’s chief administrative officer, the governor must approve federal aid expenditures; state land purchases; highway and airport construction; land or building leases for state use; and numerous state contracts, including compacts negotiated with Indian gaming authorities. The governor may request the attorney general to protect the public interest in various legal actions.

The statutes authorize the governor to create special advisory committees or task forces to conduct studies and make recommendations. These committees frequently attract experienced citizens from many fields, who donate their time and expertise as a public service. The governor also appoints over 1,000 persons to various councils and boards, which are created by law to advise and serve state government, and personally serves on selected bodies, such as the State of Wisconsin Building Commission.

If a vacancy occurs in the state senate or assembly, state law directs the governor to call a special election. Vacancies in elective county offices and judicial positions can be filled by gubernatorial appointment for the unexpired terms or until a successor is elected. The governor may dismiss sheriffs, district attorneys, coroners, or registrars of deeds for proven malfeasance.

The governor serves as commander in chief of the Wisconsin National Guard when it is called into state service during emergencies, such as natural disasters and civil disturbances. (When National Guard units perform national service, they are under command of the U.S. President.)

The chief executive has sole power to extradite a person charged with a criminal offense and to exercise executive clemency by granting a pardon, reprieve, or sentence commutation to a convicted criminal offender.

History: Before Wisconsin entered the Union, the U.S. President appointed the territorial governor, but the state constitution, adopted in 1848, gave executive powers to an elected governor. Debate during the constitutional conventions revealed reluctance to change the duties traditionally performed by the chief executive. Questions regarding the post of governor concentrated instead on the amount of salary, length of term, location of residence and, above all, veto power. An effort to divest the governor of veto power failed, as did attempts to vest pardoning power in the legislature and to deny the governor power to remove county officials from office for cause.

There have been several constitutional amendments adopted over the years affecting the authority of the governor. A 1967 amendment lengthened the governor’s term from 2 to 4 years, effective 1971. A constitutional amendment, ratified in 1930, empowered the governor to approve appropriation bills in part, thereby creating the partial veto. Another amendment, ratified in 1990, restricted the partial veto power by forbidding the governor to create new words by striking individual letters within words. An amendment ratified in 2008 further restricted the partial veto power by forbidding the governor from creating a new sentence by combining parts of two or more sentences.

Statutory Councils

State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse: Craig Harper (designated to represent governor), Senators Bewley, Lemaheiu; Representatives 2 vacancies; Tina Virgil (attorney general designee), Steve Fernan (superintendent of public instruction designee), Tom Engels (secretary of health services designee), Roger Frings (commissioner of insurance designee), Edward Wall (secretary of corrections), Bud Coxhead (secretary of transportation designee), Charlotte Rasmussen (chairperson of Pharmacy Examining Board designee), Doug Englebert (Controlled Substances Board representative), Rebecca Wigg-Ninham (Governor’s Commission on Law Enforcement and Crime representative), Michael Waupose (service provider representative), Sue Shemanski (nominated by Wisconsin County Human Service Association, Inc.); Norman Briggs, Sandy Hardie, Joyce O’Donnell, Mary Rasmussen, Duncan Shroud, Scott Stokes (public members). (All except ex officio members, or their designees, and legislative members are appointed by governor.)

The State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse recommends, coordinates, and reviews the efforts of state agencies to control and prevent alcohol and drug abuse. It evaluates program effectiveness, recommends improved programming, issues reports to educate people about the...
dangers of drug abuse, and allocates responsibility for various alcohol and drug abuse programs among state agencies. The council also recommends legislation, cooperates with federal agencies, and receives federal funds.

The 22-member council includes 6 members with a professional, research, or personal interest in alcohol and other drug abuse problems, appointed for 4-year terms, and one of them must be a consumer representing the public. It was created by Chapter 384, Laws of 1969, as the Drug Abuse Control Commission. Chapter 219, Laws of 1971, changed its name to the Council on Drug Abuse and placed the council in the executive office. It was renamed the Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse by Chapter 370, Laws of 1975, and the State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse by Chapter 221, Laws of 1979. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 14.017 (2) and 14.24 of the statutes.

**Council on Military and State Relations:** Michael Hinman (representative of the department of military affairs); Linda Fournier, Rich Harvey (representatives of Fort McCoy, Monroe County); Senator Petrowski (appointed by senate majority leader); Senator Miller (appointed by senate minority leader); Representative Petryk (appointed by assembly speaker); Representative Milroy (appointed by assembly minority leader); John A. Scocos (representative of the governor).

The 7-member Council on Military and State Relations assists the governor by working with the state’s military installations, commands and communities, state agencies, and economic development professionals to develop and implement strategies designed to enhance those installations. It advises and assists the governor on issues related to the location of military installations and assists and cooperates with state agencies to determine how those agencies can better serve military communities and families. It also assists the efforts of military families and their support groups regarding quality-of-life issues for service members and their families. The council was created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 26 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 14.017 (4) of the statutes.

**Read to Lead Development Council:** Jon Hoelter (designated by governor), chairperson; Barb Novak (designated by state superintendent of public instruction), vice chairperson; Senator Olsen (chair of senate education committee); Senator Larson (ranking minority member of senate education committee); Representative Thiesfeldt (chair of assembly education committee); Representative Pope (ranking minority member of assembly education committee); Donna Heitmanek, Dean Kaminski (elementary and secondary education teachers or principals); Jill Riley (preschool teacher); Jeannie Fenceroy, Gina Gialamas, Steven R. Sorenson (philanthropic community representatives); Jeff Roepsch, Elizabeth Tharp, vacancy (business community representatives); Kathy Champeau (Wisconsin State Reading Association representative); Steve Dykstra (Wisconsin Reading Coalition representative); Pamela Heyde (International Dyslexia Association representative); Michele Erikson (Wisconsin Literacy, Inc., representative); Ann Hardginski (Wisconsin Library Association representative); Rachel Lander (research community representative); Janis M. Serak (representative of organization serving children with disabilities). (All except legislative members appointed by the governor.)

The 22-member Read to Lead Development Council makes recommendations to the governor and state superintendent of public instruction regarding recipients of literacy and early childhood development grants. It annually submits a report on its operation to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature. All except *ex officio* and legislative members are appointed by the governor to 3-year terms. The council was created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 166 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 14.017 (5) and 14.20 (1m) of the statutes.

**Standards Development Council:** Inactive.

The 7-member Standards Development Council, created by 1997 Wisconsin Act 27, was directed to submit to the governor, by November 14, 1997, recommendations relating to pupil academic standards in mathematics, science, reading and writing, geography, and history. The act provided that if the governor approved the standards, he or she was authorized to issue them as an executive order. The council is directed to periodically review the standards and recommend
changes to the governor. The composition and duties of the council are prescribed in Sections 14.017 (3) and 14.23 of the statutes.

INDEPENDENT UNIT ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

DISABILITY BOARD

Disability Board: Governor Scott Walker, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Senator Lazich (senate president), Senator Shilling (senate minority leader), Representative Vos (assembly speaker), Representative Barca (assembly minority leader), Robert Golden (Dean, UW Medical School).

Statutory References: Sections 14.015 (1) and 17.025.

Agency Responsibility: The Disability Board is authorized by law to determine when a temporary disability exists in any of the constitutional offices because the incumbent is incapacitated due to illness or injury, and it may fill a temporary vacancy. The board, which was created by Chapter 422, Laws of 1969, originally had similar powers for supreme court justices and circuit court judges, but these were repealed by Chapter 449, Laws of 1977, and Chapter 332, Laws of 1975, respectively.

Governor Walker greets troops at the return of 32nd Military Engagement Team on January 22, 2015, at Joint Force Headquarters in Madison. (Office of the Governor)
GOVERNOR’S APPOINTMENTS TO MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Wisconsin Humanities Council

**Members:** Gubernatorial appointee: MARY C. KNAPP. (The governor appoints 6 members to the council. Other members are elected by the council.)

**Executive Director:** DENA WORTZEL.

**Address:** 222 South Bedford Street, Suite F, Madison 53703-3688.

**Telephone:** (608) 262-0706.

**Fax:** (608) 263-7970.

**E-mail Address:** contact@wisconsinhumanities.org

**Internet Address:** www.wisconsinhumanities.org

**Publications:** Grant guidelines and a periodic newsletter.

The Wisconsin Humanities Council, an independent, nonprofit organization, was established in 1972 under the provisions of federal Public Law 89-209. Members of the council include civic leaders; representatives of business, government, labor, professional, cultural, and educational institutions; and scholars and teachers in the humanities. The council receives annual funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the State of Wisconsin, and other sources. It creates, and through its grant program, supports programming that uses history, culture, and discussion to strengthen community life for everyone in Wisconsin. Any nonprofit organization or institution may apply to the council for project support. In planning and presenting public programs, applicant organizations must ordinarily involve scholars with graduate degrees in the humanities.

The Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc.

**Board of Trustees:** Gubernatorial appointees: ELIZABETH BRENNER, CURT S. CULVER, CORY L. NETTLES, GREG WESLEY. (The governor appoints two members of the board of trustees with senate consent.)

**President:** JOHN RAYMOND, SR.

**Mailing Address:** 8701 Watertown Plank Road, P.O. Box 26509, Milwaukee 53226-0509.

**Telephone:** (414) 456-8225.

**Fax:** (414) 456-6560.

**State Appropriation 2013-15:** $18,664,700.

**Publications:** Alumni News, annual reports, directory of physician consultants, Facts, Medical College of Wisconsin News, World.

**Statutory Reference:** Sections 13.106, 39.15, and 39.155.

The Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc., is a private nonprofit educational corporation located in Milwaukee. The college receives a specified sum under the “medical student tuition assistance” program for each Wisconsin resident it enrolls. The Higher Educational Aids Board determines whether applicants qualify as state residents. The college also receives state funds for its family medicine residency program.

The governor appoints two board of trustees members for 6-year terms. The college is required to fulfill certain reporting requirements, and the Legislative Audit Bureau conducts post-audits of expenditures made under state appropriations.

In September 1967, Marquette University terminated its sponsorship of the college, then known as the Marquette School of Medicine, Inc. To increase the supply of physicians in Wisconsin, the legislature enacted Chapter 3, Laws of 1969, which appropriated funds to the school provided Wisconsin residents received first preference for admission. The legislature made a token appropriation to test the law’s constitutionality, and the Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled the law constitutional in State ex rel. Warren v. Rueter, 44 Wis. 2d 201 (1969). Chapter 185, Laws of 1969, fully funded state support for the college. In 1970, the college’s name was changed to The Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc.
In the 2013-15 biennial budget, the legislature approved $7,384,300 in general obligation bonding for the development of two new community-based medical schools in northeast and central Wisconsin. The programs are designed to help alleviate physician shortages within medically underserved areas of the state, especially within primary care medicine, where the shortages to care are most acute. MCW-Green Bay welcomed its inaugural class on July 1, 2015, and MCW-Central Wisconsin is expected to open in mid-2016.

GOVERNOR’S SPECIAL COMMITTEES
June 30, 2015

The committees described in this section include those Governor Scott Walker created or continued. Most of the committees were created under Section 14.019, Wisconsin Statutes, which provides that “the governor may, by executive order, create nonstatutory committees in such number and with such membership as desired, to conduct such studies and to advise the governor in such matters as directed.” Committee members serve at the pleasure of the governor.

Unless terminated sooner, a special committee expires automatically on the fourth Monday of January of the year in which a new gubernatorial term begins. The governor may, however, provide for its continued existence by executive order. In that event, existing members continue to serve unless they resign or until the governor replaces them.

The law also provides that the governor may designate an employee of the Office of the Governor or of the Department of Administration to coordinate the activities of nonstatutory committees. In some cases, the governor has ordered other state agencies to staff and financially support committees.

When a new gubernatorial term begins, each committee is required to submit a final report to the governor or governor-elect prior to the new term. Copies of each final report and any other report a special committee prepared must be submitted to the Reference and Loan Library in the Department of Public Instruction for distribution under Section 35.83 (3), Wisconsin Statutes.

Section 20.505 (1) (ka), Wisconsin Statutes, provides for the expenses of special committees created by executive order. In addition, certain committees receive specific state appropriations, and some receive federal funds because they are established in response to federal program requirements.

The special committees are listed in alphabetical order by the key word in each committee name.

Council on Autism

*Members:* NISSAN BAR-LEV, WENDY COOMER, VIVIAN HAZELL, ROSALIA HELMS, LIESL JORDAN, ROBERTA MAYO, MILANA MILLAN, PAULA PETIT, PAUL RUETEMAN, GLEN SALLOWS, PAM STOIKA, MICHAEL WILLIAMS.

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*Aligned to:* Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Madison 53703.

Governor Jim Doyle created the council in Executive Order 94, April 5, 2005, to meet quarterly and advise the Department of Health Services on strategies for implementing statewide supports and services for children with autism. It was recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. Of the maximum 15 members appointed by the governor to the council, at least a majority must be parents of children with autism or autism spectrum disorders. The remaining members may be providers of services to children with autism, local government officials, persons who are knowledgeable of autism issues, or simply members of the general public.

Bicycle Coordinating Council

*Members:* DAVID SPIEGELBERG (designated by secretary of tourism); BRIGIT BROWN (designated by secretary of natural resources); JILL MROTEK GLESZINSKI (designated by secretary of transportation); RANDY THIEL (designated by state superintendent of public instruction); JON
Morgan (designated by secretary of health services); Larry Corsi (designated by director, Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety); Senator Olsen (appointed by senate majority leader), Senator Shilling (appointed by senate minority leader); Representative Ripp (appointed by assembly speaker), Representative Genrich (appointed by assembly minority leader); Christopher S. Fortune, Kevin Hardman, Craig A. Heywood, Krystyna Kornilowicz, Brenda Maxwell (public members).

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Aligned to: Department of Transportation, 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, P.O. Box 7999, Madison 53707.

Governor Tommy G. Thompson created the council in Executive Order 122, June 24, 1991, and Governor Walker most recently recreated it in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. A similar council was originally created by Governor Patrick J. Lucey in June 1977 under Executive Order 43, and it has been recreated several times since. The council consists of not more than 17 members. The council considers all matters relating to: efforts of state agencies to encourage the use of the bicycle as an alternative means of transportation; promoting bicycle safety and education; promoting safe bicycling to school; promoting bicycling as a recreational and tourist activity; and disseminating information on state and federal funding for bicycle programs. The council also reviews the bicycle programs of state agencies, issues reports to the governor and the legislature, and makes recommendations concerning pertinent legislation.

Wisconsin Coastal Management Council

Members: Larry MacDonald, chairperson; vacancy, vice chairperson; Senator Wirch; Representative Weatherston; James P. Hurley (UW System representative), Ed Eberle (designated by secretary of administration), Stephen Galarneau (designated by secretary of natural resources), Sheri Walz (designated by secretary of transportation); Ervin Soulier (tribal government representative); Sharon Cook (City of Milwaukee representative); Robert D. Browne, John Dickert, Patricia Hoefert, Kenneth L. Leinbach, William Schuster.

Contact person: Mike Friis.

Aligned to: Department of Administration, 101 East Wilson Street, 9th Floor, P.O. Box 8944, Madison 53708-8944.

Internet Address: http://coastal.wisconsin.gov

Acting Governor Martin J. Schreiber established the council in Executive Order 49, October 7, 1977. It has been recreated or revised several times, and was continued most recently by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. It succeeded the Coastal Coordinating and Advisory Council appointed by Governor Patrick J. Lucey in 1974. The 1977 council was created to comply with provisions of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 and to implement Wisconsin’s official Coastal Management Program, which received federal approval on May 22, 1978. The council advises the governor on issues pertaining to the Great Lakes coasts and assists in providing policy direction for Wisconsin’s coastal management efforts. Members represent the legislature, state agencies, units of local government, tribal governments, and citizens. To provide opportunities for full participation in the program, the governor encouraged the council to establish citizens’ committees to advise the council on key issues affecting the coasts. The council endorsed “Wisconsin Coastal Management Program: Needs Assessment and Multi-Year Strategy, 2011-2015” in February 2011. Annually since 2002, the program has produced the Wisconsin Great Lakes Chronicle. Archived copies are available from the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program’s Web site.

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Members: Edward F. Wall (secretary of corrections), Brad Schimel (attorney general), cochairpersons; Kelli Thompson (State Public Defender); Matthew Joski (county sheriff); vacancy (chief of police); David O’Leary (district attorney); J. Denis Moran (director of state courts); Reggie Newsom (secretary of workforce development); Eloise Anderson (secretary of children and families); Kitty Rhoades (secretary of health services); Jeff Kreemers (chair of chief judges of circuit courts); Mark Abeles-Allison (county administrator); Tiana Glennia (county criminal justice coordinating council representative); Jane Jennings (crime victims
representative; Mark Clements, Mallory O’Bien (public members); Patti Jo Severson (mental health and criminal justice representative); Rich Van Boxtel (tribal representative).

**Aligned to:** Department of Justice, 1 South Pinckney Street, Suite 615, P.O. Box 7857, Madison 53703.

The statewide council was created by Governor Walker in Executive Order 65 on April 9, 2012, and was most recently recreated by Governor Walker on January 26, 2015, in Executive Order 150. It is tasked with developing criminal justice policy recommendations to strengthen public safety and the justice system; investigate effective and innovative criminal justice-related programs employed at the county level, encourage the development of county or multi-county criminal justice coordinating councils; provide recommendations on the collection and synthesis of real-time criminal justice data, and with the aid of all executive branch agencies, develop and make recommendations to implement a reporting system to track key criminal justice indicators on a monthly basis; promote the evaluation of new and current criminal justice policies; and provide strategic planning and guidance for the management of federal grants.

The council must submit an annual report to the governor, the chief justice, and the chief clerk of each house. It meets on a quarterly basis.

**Governor’s Committee for People With Disabilities**

*Members:* Nancy Leipzig, chairperson; Jeff Fox (Council on Physical Disabilities), vice chairperson; vacancy (Council on Mental Health); Ramsey Lee (Board for People with Developmental Disabilities); Alex H. Slappey (Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing); vacancy (Council on Blindness); vacancy (State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse); Thomas Fell, John Hartman, Daniel Laatsch, David Morstad, John W. Olson, Sandra Popp, Maureen Ryan, Patricia Williams (at-large members). Nonvoting *ex officio* member: Lt. Governor Kleefisch.

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**Aligned to:** Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Madison 53703.

The Wisconsin Governor’s Committee for People with Disabilities in its present form was established in March of 1976 by Governor Patrick J. Lucey, and has been reauthorized through executive order by every governor since that time. It was most recently recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150 on January 26, 2015. The original executive order provided initial guidance for the committee to advise the governor’s office on a broad range of issues affecting people with disabilities. The committee’s mission, “to enhance the health and general well-being of disabled citizens in Wisconsin”, was created out of a realization that state government lacked a process of systematically communicating the needs of people with disabilities to responsible state and local officials. In an effort to enhance the value of the committee, the executive order was rewritten in 2004 to support a focus on issues, policies, and programs that will encourage involvement in the workforce.

The committee consists of the Lieutenant Governor as a nonvoting, *ex officio* member, and not more than 20 members, appointed by the governor to serve at his pleasure. The committee as a whole includes Wisconsin residents with disabilities and individuals that have demonstrated interest in the concerns of all disability groups. All serve as unpaid volunteers. Six of the committee members represent specific disability constituencies: 1) Council on Blindness; 2) Wisconsin Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; 3) Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities; 4) Wisconsin Council on Mental Health; 5) State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse; and 6) Council on Physical Disabilities.

The committee meets quarterly, usually in March, June, September, and December. In addition to the Executive Committee, the Governor’s Committee also has two subcommittees: the Business Leadership Network Subcommittee and the Youth Leadership Forum Subcommittee.

**Early Childhood Advisory Council**

*Members:* Eloise Anderson (secretary of children and families), Tony Evers (state superintendent of public instruction), cochairpersons; Therese Ahlers, Beverly Anderson, Nancy Armbrust, John Ashley, Fredi Bove, Sheila Briggs, Ray Cross, Linda Davis, Dave Edie, Morna Foy, Delores Gokee-Rindal, Michelle Jensen Goodwin, Jill Hoiting, Peter
Kelly, Kia LaBracke, Lupe Martinez, Jennie Mauer, Judy Norman-Nunnery, Gail Propsom, Kitty Rhoades (secretary of health services), Carolyn Stanford Taylor, Jon Stellmacher, Ann Terrell, Edward F. Wall (secretary of corrections), Rolf Wegenke, Rissa Wojcik.

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Aligned to: Department of Children and Families, 201 East Washington Avenue, Second Floor, Madison 53708.

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Governor Jim Doyle created the council in Executive Order 269 on October 30, 2008, in accordance with Federal Public Law 110-134. It was most recently recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150, on January 26, 2015. The council makes recommendations to the governor regarding development of a comprehensive statewide early childhood system. Responsibilities of the council include the following: conducting needs assessments; identifying barriers to collaboration between federal and state programs; developing recommendations for increasing participation of children in early childhood services; developing recommendations for a unified data collection system; supporting professional development; assessing the capacity of higher education to support the development of early childhood professionals; and making recommendations to improve early learning standards.

Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council

Members: Cindy Flauger, chairperson; Laurice Lincoln, vice chairperson; vacancy (state legislator); Julie Walsh (designated by commissioner of insurance), Linda Huffer (Department of Health Services, Division of Long-Term Care designee), Sharon Fleischfresser (Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health designee), Laura Saterfield (State Office of Child Care designee), Jill Haglund (Department of Public Instruction designee); Linda Tuchman (Personnel Prep); William Barreau, Toni Dakins, Victoria Deer, Theresa Vincent.

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Aligned to: Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Madison 53703.

Governor Tommy G. Thompson first established the council in Executive Order 17, June 26, 1987, and recreated it in Executive Order 334, May 21, 1998. Governor Walker most recently recreated it in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. Often called the “Birth to Three” Council, it was created to comply with the federal Individuals With Disabilities Education Act of 1986 and recreated to comply with the federal Individuals With Disabilities Education Act of 1997. The council advises and assists the Department of Health Services in the development and administration of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and their families. It consists of at least 15 members and is directed by the governor to include at least 4 parents of infants, toddlers, or children aged 12 or younger with disabilities; at least 4 private or public providers of early intervention services; at least one state legislator; at least one member involved in personnel training; at least one representative of a Head Start agency or program; and other members representing state agencies that provide services or payment for early intervention services to infants and toddlers and their families. Members, other than those serving ex officio, serve 3-year terms. Administrative and support services are provided to the council by the Department of Health Services. The council issues an annual report for each federal fiscal year.

Governor’s Council on Financial Literacy


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Aligned to: Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Madison 53703.
Governor Jim Doyle created the council in Executive Order 92, March 30, 2005, to work with existing state agencies, private entities, and nonprofit associations in improving the financial literacy of Wisconsin citizens. It was recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 24, April 6, 2011. Governor Walker most recently recreated the council on January 26, 2015, in Executive Order 150. The council is directed to collaborate with the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, implement research and policy initiatives, and serve as sounding board for the Office of the Governor and the Office of Financial Literacy in the Department of Financial Institutions to provide guidance and develop strategies to improve financial literacy among Wisconsin’s citizens. The council will also promote the statewide financial literacy awareness and education campaign entitled Money Smart Week Wisconsin. The council consists of 25 members or less, with a chairperson, and two vice chairpersons selected from within the group. The Secretary of the Department of Financial Institutions is required to submit an annual progress report on the council.

**Historical Records Advisory Board**

*Members:* Menzi L. Behrnd-Klodt, Clayborn Benson, Anita T. Doering, Maria Escalante, Jane M. Pederson, Rick Pifer, Jane Schetter, Michelle Sweetser, Kenneth J. Wirth.

*Coordinator:* Matthew Blessing, matt.blessing@wisconsinhistory.org

*Aligned to:* State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 816 State Street, Madison 53706.

Governor Patrick J. Lucey created the advisory board on April 4, 1977. It was most recently continued by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. That action enables the state to participate in the grants program of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, which coordinates the preservation of historic records in the United States and approves federal grants to qualified Wisconsin institutions and to the state advisory board. The board promotes the availability and use of historical records as keys to improved understanding of our cultural heritage. Members serve staggered 3-year terms.

**Homeland Security Council**


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*Internet Address:* http://homelandsecurity.wi.gov

Governor Jim Doyle created the council in Executive Order 7, March 18, 2003, to advise the governor and to coordinate the efforts of state and local agencies regarding the prevention of, and response to, potential threats to the homeland security of the state. It was recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 101 on May 3, 2013. Governor Walker most recently recreated the council on January 26, 2015, in Executive Order 150. The council’s 16 members are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor. The council works with federal, state, and local agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private industry to prevent and respond to any threat of terrorism, promote personal preparedness, and make recommendations to the governor on additional steps to further enhance Wisconsin’s homeland security.

**Independent Living Council of Wisconsin**

*Members:* Deloris Nash (director of a center for independent living); Tamara Jandrowski (independent living program representative); Stephen J. West (representative of the directors of Native American Vocational Rehabilitation programs); Benjamin Barrett, Cynthia Bentley, MaryJane Grande, Chris Hendrickson, Ron Jansen, Theodore Pyke, Thongngi Xiong. Nonvoting members: Kathleen Enders (representing Department of Workforce Development, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation), Kevin Coughlin (representing Department of Health Services), Katherine Patterson (representing Department of Transportation), Diane McGinnis-Casey (representing Department of Administration, Division of Housing).

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internet address: http://www.il-wisconsin.net

Governor Tommy G. Thompson created the council in Executive Order 212, January 10, 1994, to comply with the 1992 amendments to the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. In 2004, Governor Jim Doyle issued Executive Order 65, which outlines the current membership and established the council as a nonprofit entity. Governor Walker most recently recreated the council in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. In coordination with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, the council has the responsibility to develop and submit the state plan for independent living services for people with disabilities to state and federal agencies; monitor, review, and evaluate the state plan; and related purposes.

The council currently consists of 14 voting members and 4 ex officio members representing the Department of Workforce Development, the Department of Health Services, the Department of Transportation, and the Department of Administration’s Division of Housing. The majority of members must be persons with disabilities who do not work for a center for independent living or the State of Wisconsin. At least one member must be a director of a center for independent living chosen by centers for independent living, and at least one must be a representative of the directors of Native American vocational rehabilitation programs. Voting members of the council serve staggered 3-year terms and may serve no more than two consecutive terms.

Governor’s Information Technology Executive Steering Committee

Members: John hogan (department of administration representative), chairperson; Ron HUNT (department of children and families representative); Scott legwold (department of corrections representative); Jonathan Barry (department of workforce development representative); Tom Engels (department of health services representative); Michael Bruhn (department of natural resources representative); Jack Jablonski (department of revenue representative); Sandy Chalmers (department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection representative); Paul Hammer (department of transportation representative); David Cagigal (State Chief Information Officer).

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Governor’s Judicial Selection Advisory Committee

Members: Michael Brennan, chairperson; William curran, Donald Daugherty, Steven Gibbs, Katherine Longley, Lon Roberts.

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Aligned to: Office of the Governor, Room 115 East, State Capitol, P.O. Box 7863, Madison 53707-7863.

Governor Anthony Earl established the Governor’s Advisory Council on Judicial Selection in Executive Order 1, January 6, 1983. Governor Walker recreated and restructured it as an advisory committee in Executive Order 29, May 11, 2011. The committee was most recently recreated by Governor Walker on January 26, 2015, in Executive Order 150. The committee makes recommendations to the governor on filling vacancies in the state court system. The com-
mittee consists of any number of individuals as determined by the governor. Members serve for 12-month renewable terms at the pleasure of the governor. The governor designates the chairperson, who has discretion to determine the method by which applicants are considered and recommended. The chairperson also has the authority to appoint temporary members.

Governor’s Juvenile Justice Commission

*Members:* CARL ASHLEY, JONATHAN CLOUD, THEODORE ENGELBART, JOSE FLORES, TIERNEY GILL, STEVEN GLAMM, EDDIE JACKSON, TASHA JENKINS, JESSICA JIMENEZ, KATHLEEN MALONE, JAMES MOESER, JANET PROCTOR, MINDY TEMPELIS, PAUL WESTERHAUS, ANNETTE ZIEGLER.

*Aligned to:* Department of Justice, 1 South Pinckney Street, Suite 615, P.O. Box 7857, Madison 53702-3220.

Governor Tommy G. Thompson created the commission as the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group in Executive Order 55, January 30, 1989, repealed and recreated it as the Governor’s Juvenile Justice Commission in Executive Order 110, February 6, 1991. Governor Walker continued it in Executive Order 8, January 25, 2011. The commission was most recently recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150 on January 26, 2015.

The commission awards funds received by the state under the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant, and other state and federal programs. It also advises the governor and the legislature on juvenile justice issues. The Office of Justice Assistance provides staff and pays the expenses of the commission.

Governor’s Council on Physical Fitness and Health

*Members:* KENNETH BERG, AMY DELONG, LEROY DEPAS, ELIZABETH FARAH, CARL HEIGL, JILL HOITING, SUSAN KUNFERMAN, SHANYN LANCASTER, LINDA LEE, KIMBERLY LIEHL (designated by governor), ERIN LORANG, KAREN McKEOWN (designated by secretary of health services).

*Address:* Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Madison 53703.

*Telephones:* 267-7828.

Governor Anthony Earl established the council in Executive Order 10, April 19, 1983, and Governor Walker recreated it in Executive Order 73, June 18, 2012. The council was most recently recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150 on January 26, 2015. The council is directed to develop policy recommendations to improve the status of children’s health, physical fitness and nutritional intake, as well as educate the public and media on the importance of those goals. It is also to encourage stakeholder and community leaders to assist in preventing obesity in all state residents throughout their lives.

The Department of Health Services provides staff support to the council, which consists of no less than nine members and no more than 15. Members include the governor, the secretary of health services or the designees of both, and citizen members appointed and serving at the pleasure of the governor.

State Rehabilitation Council

*Members:* LINDA VEGOE (client assistance programs), chairperson; JAMES DOBRINSKA (business, industry and labor representative), vice chairperson; MATTHEW ZELLMER (parent training and information center); ALVIN HILL (community rehabilitation program service provider); CHRIS HENDRICKSON (Statewide Independent Living Council); JULIE FERCHOFF (vocational rehabilitation counselor); vacancy (business, industry and labor representative); CAYTE ANDERSON, ROBERT BUETTNER, STEPHANIE DRUM, JODI HANNA, BARBARA KLUG-SIEJA, GAIL KOLVENBACH, JOHN LUI, BETH SWEDEEN (disability advocacy groups); PATRICIA LERCH (Native American vocational rehabilitation); WENDI DAWSON (Department of Public Instruction). Nonvoting member: MICHAEL GRECO (administrator, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation).

*Contact person:* KRISTIN ROLLING, kristin.rolling@dwd.wi.gov

*Aligned to:* Department of Workforce Development, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, 201 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 7852, Madison 53707-7852.

Governor Tommy G. Thompson created the council in Executive Order 363, January 30, 1999, to advise the Department of Workforce Development on the statewide vocational rehabilitation plan for disabled individuals required under 29 U.S. Code Section 720, *et seq.* Governor
Walker most recently continued the council in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. The council is similar to one established in Executive Order 196, July 1, 1993, as the State Rehabilitation Advisory Council. Council members serve 3-year terms. A majority must be individuals with disabilities not employed by the Department of Workforce Development, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services. The administrator of that division is a nonvoting *ex officio* member of the council.

**Wisconsin Technology Committee**

*Members:* Wisconsin Technology Council chair, vice chair, president, secretary and treasurer.

*Contact person:* Tom Still, president.

*Aligned to:* Wisconsin Technology Council, 455 Science Drive, Suite 240, Madison 53711.

The committee was originally created by Governor Walker in Executive Order 51, November 4, 2011. It was most recently recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order 150 on January 26, 2015. It is an advisory committee consisting of the members of the Wisconsin Technology Council, which was created by state legislation as a nonprofit corporation, but removed from the statutes with the repeal of the Department of Commerce. Creation of the committee allows the council to coordinate with state government. The council assists the state in promoting the creation, development, and retention of science- and technology-based businesses by developing programs that stimulate innovation and entrepreneurial activity. It also provides policy guidance to lawmakers. It provides an annual report to the appropriate standing committee of each house of the legislature.

The five members of the committee include the chair, vice chair, president, secretary, and treasurer of the Wisconsin Technology Council.

One of the duties of the chief executive is to present a budget to the Legislature. Here Governor Walker delivers his budget message to the 2015 Wisconsin Legislature. (Greg Anderson, Legislative Photographer)
Telecommunications Relay Service Council

Members: THOMAS E. HARBISON, chairperson; RONALD E. BYINGTON, MARGARET CALTEAUX, JILL COLLINS, CHERI FRENCH, JAMES JERMANN, KAREN E. JORGENSEN, TOM MEITNER, HELEN RIZZI, vacancy.

Contact person: JACK R. CASSELL, jack.cassell@wisconsin.gov

Aligned to: Department of Administration, Division of Enterprise Technology, 101 East Wilson Street, 8th Floor, P.O. Box 7844, Madison 53707-7844.

Governor Tommy G. Thompson created the council in Executive Order 95, June 19, 1990, recreated it in Executive Order 131, October 2, 1991, and Governor Walker continued it most recently in Executive Order 150, January 26, 2015. The council was directed to advise the Bureau of Telecommunications Management in the Department of Administration on the feasibility or desirability of: establishing requirements and procedures for a telecommunications relay service; requiring the service to be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; requiring users to pay rates that are no greater than rates for functionally equivalent voice telecommunications service; prohibiting relay service operators from refusing or limiting the length of calls; prohibiting relay service operators from disclosing the contents of calls, keeping records of their contents beyond the duration of the calls, and intentionally altering the content of a call; requiring relay service operators to take training on the problems faced by hearing-impaired and speech-impaired persons using the service; and authorizing the establishment by contract of a statewide telecommunications relay service. The council consists of not more than 11 members, 4 of whom must use a telecommunications relay service. These must include one speech-impaired person, one hearing-impaired person, one speech- and hearing-impaired person, and one person not having a speech or hearing impairment. Five of the members must include one representative each from the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf, Wisconsin Telecommunications, Inc., Wisconsin State Telephone Association, a local exchange telecommunications utility, and an interexchange telecommunications utility doing business in this state.

Council on Veterans Employment

Members: SCOTT NEITZEL (secretary of administration), REGGIE NEWSON (secretary of workforce development), JOHN SCOCOS (secretary of veterans affairs), RAY CROSS (UW System president), GREG GRACZ (director of office of state employment relations).

Governor Scott Walker created the council in Executive Order 137 on June 13, 2014. The council was most recently recreated by Governor Walker on January 26, 2015, in Executive Order 150. The council was created for the purpose of advising the governor to establish a coordinated effort to increase veterans’ employment. In particular, the council focuses on increasing the number of veterans employed by state government through an expansion in recruitment and training. The council shall consist of the Department of Administration secretary, the Department of Workforce Development secretary, the Department of Veterans Affairs secretary, the University of Wisconsin System president, and the OSER director, or their designees.

Governor’s Council on Workforce Investment

Members: DANIEL ARIENS, KURT BAUER, RAY CROSS, CEDRIC ELLIS, TONY EVERS, PAUL FARROW, ANDREW FIENE, MORMA FOY, REED HALL, GRAILING JONES, STEVE KLESSIG, JANICE LEMMINGER, STEVE LOEHR, TERRY MCGOWAN, DAN MELLA, MICHELLE MEITNER, REGGIE NEWSON, A. KENT OLSON, ALAN PETELINSEK, VERNON PETERSON, WARREN PETRYK, DAWN PRATT, MARK REIHL, JANIS RINGHAUSD, LOLA ROEH, ROGER ROTH, KATHI SEFFERT, KATRINA SHANKLAND, DAN STININGER, TOM STILL, TROY STRECKENBACH, VICTORIA STROBEL, S. MARK TYLER, ROLF WEGENKE.

Contact person: TRISTAN COOK, tristan.cook@dwd.wisconsin.gov

Aligned to: Department of Workforce Development, P.O. Box 7946, Madison 53707-7946.

Governor Tommy G. Thompson created the council in Executive Order 385, November 17, 1999. The council was reconstituted by Governor Scott Walker in Executive Order 152 in March 2015, due to significant changes to the publicly-funded workforce development system with the passage of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act in 2014. The council consists of members appointed in accordance with federal statute and additional members designated by the governor. As specified by law, the majority of members are from the private sector.
The governor directed the council to carry out all duties and functions prescribed in 29 U.S.C. §3111: recommending strategies that align workforce development resources to support economic development; identifying and implementing best practices that will strengthen the Wisconsin Job Center system; promoting programs to increase the number of skilled workers; and providing resources to all Wisconsin workers seeking work, including persons with disabilities and youth. The governor further directed all cabinet agencies, and encouraged all other state agencies, to collaborate with the council to develop a strong, skilled workforce.

Governor Walker and Tourism Secretary Stephanie Klett promote tourism at the Milwaukee County Zoo May 1, 2015. (Office of the Governor).
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* Nominated by the governor and appointed with the advice and consent of the senate. Senate confirmation is required for secretaries of departments, members of commissions and commissioners, governing boards, examining boards, and other boards as designated by statute.

*List includes only appointments made by the governor. Additional members frequently serve ex officio or are appointed by other means. The governor also appoints members of intrastate regional agencies and nonstatutory committees and makes temporary appointments under statute Chapter 17 to elected state and county offices when vacancies occur. For complete membership list of unit, including officers, see full description elsewhere in the Blue Book. Section numbers under each entry refer to statute sections authorizing appointment by the governor. Statute Section 21.18 provides for the governor’s military staff.

*Home address is the municipality from which the officer was appointed to a full-time office or the current address of part-time officials.

*Terms are specified by the following statute sections or as otherwise provided by law: Sec. 15.05 (1) - secretaries; Sec. 15.06 (1) - commissioners; Sec. 15.07 (1) - governing boards and attached boards; Sec. 15.08 (1) - examining boards and councils; Sec. 15.09 (1) - councils.

*Members of boards and councils are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in performing their duties. In addition, examining board members receive $25 per day for days worked, and members of certain other boards under statute Section 15.07 (5) receive a per diem as noted in the table. Statute Section 20.923 places state officials in one of 10 executive salary groups (ESG) for which salary ranges have been established. Group salary ranges for the period June 30, 2015 through June 24, 2017, are: Group 1: $60,382-$99,632; Group 2: $65,208-$107,598; Group 3: $70,429-$116,210; Group 4: $76,066-$125,528; Group 5: $82,139-$135,533; Group 6: $88,712-$146,390; Group 7: $95,826-$158,122; Group 8: $103,480-$170,747; Group 9: $111,758-$184,413; Group 10: $120,702-$199,160.

*Nominated by governor but not yet confirmed by senate.

*Compensation set by Economic Development Corporation Board.

Source: Appointment lists maintained by governor’s office and received by the Legislative Reference Bureau on or before June 30, 2015.
Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Kleefisch congratulates the City of La Crosse on its designation as one of Wisconsin’s outstanding “Main Street Communities.” WEDC’s Wisconsin Main Street Program is designed to promote the historic and economic redevelopment of traditional business districts in cities and towns across Wisconsin. (Office of the Lieutenant Governor)

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**Number of Employees:** 4.00.

**Total Budget 2013-15:** $633,200.

**Constitutional References:** Article V, Sections 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8; Article XIII, Section 10.

**Statutory Reference:** Chapter 14, Subchapter II.

**Agency Responsibility:** The lieutenant governor is the state’s second-ranking executive officer, a position comparable to that of the Vice President of the United States. If the incumbent governor dies, resigns, or is removed from office, the lieutenant governor becomes governor.
for the balance of the unexpired term. (Prior to a constitutional amendment in April 1979, the lieutenant governor was considered only “acting governor” in those circumstances.) The lieutenant governor serves as acting governor when the governor is temporarily unable to perform the duties of the office due to impeachment, incapacitation, or absence from the state. If the lieutenant governor becomes governor, he or she must nominate a new lieutenant governor and the successor must be confirmed by the senate and the assembly.

The governor may designate the lieutenant governor to represent the governor’s office on any statutory board, commission, or committee on which the governor is entitled to membership. Under such designation, the lieutenant governor has all the authority and responsibility granted by law to the governor. The governor may also designate the lieutenant governor to represent the chief executive’s office on any nonstatutory committee or intergovernmental body created to maintain relationships with federal, state, and local governments or regional agencies. The lieutenant governor participates in national organizations of lieutenant governors and may be asked by the governor to coordinate specific state services and programs.

**Organization:** From 1848 until 1970, the lieutenant governor was elected for a 2-year term on a separate ballot in the November general election of even-numbered years. Since 1970, following amendment of the Wisconsin Constitution, voters have elected the governor and lieutenant governor on a joint ballot to a 4-year term. Candidates are nominated independently in the partisan August primary, but voters cast a combined ballot for the two offices in the November election.

**History:** The Territory of Wisconsin had no lieutenant governor, but the secretary of the territory was authorized to act as governor in the event of the governor’s death or absence. The Wisconsin Constitution of 1848 provided for the post of lieutenant governor after considerable debate. Some delegates to the convention argued that the president of the senate, chosen from the membership of that body, should succeed the governor, with the secretary of state second in line of succession. The convention delegates who objected to a person’s becoming governor without being elected on a statewide basis prevailed, however, and the post of lieutenant governor was included in the constitution.

Originally, the lieutenant governor was also the president of the senate and could cast a deciding vote in case of a tie. In 1979, the voters ratified a constitutional amendment enabling the senate to choose its own presiding officer from among its members, beginning in 1981.

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**Total Budget 2013-15:** $1,870,318,600.

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.10 and 15.103; Chapter 16.
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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Administration (DOA) provides a wide range of support services to other state agencies. One of the chief duties of the department is to provide the governor with fiscal management information and the policy alternatives required for preparation of Wisconsin’s biennial budget. It analyzes administrative and fiscal issues facing the state and recommends solutions. The department also coordinates telecommunications, energy, and land use planning and community development. It regulates racing, charitable gaming, and Indian gaming. It is responsible for managing the state’s buildings and leased office space, as well as statewide facilities project planning and analysis. The department maintains a federal-state relations office in Washington, D.C.

Organization: The department is administered by a secretary appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary must be appointed “on the basis of recognized interest, administrative and executive ability, training and experience in and knowledge of problems and needs in the field of administration.” The secretary appoints the department’s division administrators from outside the classified service.
**Unit Functions:** The *Division of Administrative Services* provides numerous services to the department and agencies attached for administrative support, including financial management, human resources, business recovery, records management, lean government and management planning. The division prepares and administers the departmental budget, advises the secretary on policies and procedures, and performs internal audits. It administers compensation for all district attorneys and their staff attorneys, and oversees payments to special prosecutors appointed on behalf of district attorney offices.

The *Division of Capitol Police* uses officers working in Madison and Milwaukee to provide a wide range of investigative, security, and related public safety services to state agencies, employees, and others. It protects state facilities; conducts criminal investigations; and provides protective services to the governor and visiting dignitaries.

The *Division of Energy Services* administers a federal and state funded low-income household energy assistance program involving bill payment and weatherization. In coordination with local government, community action agencies, and other nonprofit entities, the division distributes more than $130 million in annual energy assistance to approximately 215,000 low-income households, and approximately $60 million annually to fund weatherization measures to approximately 5,000 households throughout Wisconsin.

The State Energy Office is federally funded and administers federal funds received from the U.S. Department of Energy under the State Energy Program Strategic Plan and various federal laws. It develops policy options for consideration by the governor and state agencies, coordinates activities with other state agencies, identifies federal funding opportunities and facilitates applications for funding by state and local governments and private entities, annually publishes energy statistics, maintains an energy assurance plan, and performs duties necessary to maintain federal designation and funding.

The *Division of Enterprise Operations* manages state procurement policies and contracts, auto and air fleet transportation, and risk management. The division creates and administers statewide contracts, supports DOA and consolidated agency purchasing, municipal cooperative purchasing, work center contracting, federal and state surplus property disposition, and minority business contracting. It oversees fleet policies, central fleet and air services operations, records management, interdepartmental mail, and state agency document sales and distribution. It also manages the state’s self-funded risk management programs for liability, property, and worker’s compensation, and assists agencies in controlling and reducing risk management losses.

The *Division of Enterprise Technology* manages the state’s information technology (IT) assets and uses technology to improve government efficiency and service delivery. It provides computer services to state agencies and operates the statewide voice data and video telecommunications network. In consultation with business and IT managers from state agencies and local governments, the division develops strategies, policies, and standards for cross-agency and multijurisdictional use of IT resources. The division provides centralized security training, research, and print and mail services to other state agencies and provides statewide computer systems for district attorneys.

The *Division of Executive Budget and Finance* provides fiscal and policy analysis to the governor for development of executive budget proposals and assists agencies in the technical preparation of budget requests. It reviews legislation and coordinates the fiscal estimates that accompany all expenditure bills. It also advises the State of Wisconsin Building Commission and the governor on the issuance of state debt and administers finances for the clean water revolving loan fund program. The division provides program and management evaluation and maintains the management information system for authorized state employee positions. It establishes accounting policies and procedures, maintains the state’s central payroll and accounting systems, monitors agency internal control procedures, produces the state’s annual fiscal and financial reports, and administers the state’s Section 529 College Savings programs and the local government investment pool.

The *Division of Facilities Development* develops and administers the state building program under the direction of the State of Wisconsin Building Commission. Its functions include: project planning and analysis; architectural and engineering selection and design oversight; construction contract bidding and administration; construction project management; and statewide
field supervision of construction projects. The division also oversees: centralized functions of the state-owned heating plants; the energy conservation bonding program; and all transactions requiring State Building Commission approval.

The Division of Facilities Management operates and maintains 30 major buildings in 7 cities throughout the state including the State Capitol, the Executive Residence, and state office buildings in Madison. The division is responsible for building management, tenant improvements, building service contracts, space planning and occupancy, parking administration, all state leasing and real estate transactions, and property acquisition and disposition.

The Division of Gaming regulates bingo, raffles, and Class III Indian gaming pursuant to state/tribal gaming compacts. The division licenses and regulates bingo games and raffles conducted by nonprofit, charitable, religious, fraternal, and service organizations. It conducts tribal gaming compliance reviews and payment audits and certifies vendors to conduct gaming business in accordance with state/tribal compacts and federal law.

The Division of Housing develops housing policy and offers a broad range of program assistance and funds to address homelessness and support affordable housing, public infrastructure, and economic development opportunities. The division partners with local governments and service providers, nonprofit agencies, housing authorities, developers, and housing organizations throughout the state to improve housing conditions for low- to moderate-income Wisconsin residents. It distributes over $30 million annually.

The Division of Intergovernmental Relations provides a variety of services to the public and state, local, and tribal governments. It advises the governor and state agencies on state, local, and tribal relationships and coordinates the state’s efforts to influence federal legislation. It manages the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program, provides the state population estimates and projections, in addition to demographic research.

The Department of Administration is responsible for the care and maintenance of the State Capitol. As part of that responsibility, it offers regular tours of the building to the general public. (Greg Anderson, Legislative Photographer)
The division administers the Comprehensive Planning and Land Information Grants. Working with the Incorporation Review Board, the division reviews and issues determinations on petitions to incorporate towns into villages or cities. It oversees the Municipal Boundary Review Program and the Plat Review Program, and administers the municipal service payment program which reimburses local governments for providing police, fire, and solid waste services to state facilities.

The Division of Legal Services, created in Section 15.103 (1g) by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28, provides legal services to state agencies and to the Department of Administration. It provides legal assistance and advice on issues such as procurement, contracting, construction, budget development, and other common activities with the goal of bringing about greater agencywide consistency on such matters. The division is available to support and consult with agencies on contract development, negotiation, and other areas of legal expertise.

**History:** The legislature created the Department of Administration in Chapter 228, Laws of 1959, and authorized it to provide centralized staff services to the governor, to assume common administrative functions for other executive agencies, and to coordinate the state’s business affairs. Chapter 228 also abolished the Bureaus of Engineering, Personnel, and Purchases; the Department of Budget and Accounts; and the Division of Departmental Research in the Office of the Governor. Their functions and personnel were transferred to the new department.

Since its creation, the department has assumed additional duties. State comprehensive planning responsibilities and population estimation were added in 1967 and 1972, respectively. 1976 Executive Order 36 moved the Office of Emergency Energy Assistance from the Office of the Governor to the department’s State Planning Office and broadened its responsibilities to include energy policy planning and program management. The 1989 executive budget created the Division of Housing (subsequently repealed in 2003) and gave the department responsibility for grant and loan programs for low- and moderate-income housing. The 1991 executive budget created the Division of Information Technology Services (now the Division of Enterprise Technology) to consolidate and manage the state’s computer and telecommunications resources.

Other functions assigned to the department have included the Coastal Management Program (1981), low-income weatherization assistance (1991), low-income energy assistance (1995), a college tuition prepayment program (1995) (transferred to the Office of the State Treasurer by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9), municipal boundary and plat review (1997), and the Wisconsin Fresh Start Program (1998).

Over the years, legislation has transferred various functions out of the department. Chapter 645, Laws of 1961, created a separate Personnel Board to review departmental decisions. Chapter 196, Laws of 1977, transferred the administration of civil service, collective bargaining, and classification and compensation to the newly created Department of Employment Relations. The Division of Emergency Government, which became part of the department in 1979, was moved to the Department of Military Affairs by 1989 Wisconsin Act 31. Regulation of mobile home dealers and mobile parks was transferred to the Department of Commerce by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9. With the repeal of the Division of Housing, 2003 Wisconsin Act 33 transferred grant and loan programs for low- and moderate-income housing to the Department of Commerce. Housing programs were transferred from the Department of Commerce back to DOA by 2011 Wisconsin Act 32.

**Gaming Regulation.** 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 repealed the Wisconsin Gaming Board and created the Division of Gaming in the department to monitor gaming on Indian lands and regulate pari-mutuel wagering, racing, and charitable gaming.

Originally, the Wisconsin Constitution stated: “The legislature shall never authorize any lottery.” This provision was interpreted as prohibiting all forms of gambling. Following a 1973 constitutional amendment to allow charitable bingo, the legislature enacted Chapter 156, Laws of 1973, to permit bingo games and create the Bingo Control Board in the Department of Regulation and Licensing. Charitable raffles were permitted by a 1977 constitutional amendment, and the legislature assigned their regulation to the Bingo Control Board in Chapter 426, Laws of 1977.
Pari-mutuel on-track wagering and the state lottery were permitted by constitutional amendments in 1987. The legislature created the Racing Board to regulate the sport in 1987 Wisconsin Act 354. The Wisconsin Lottery, originally operated by the Lottery Board, was created by 1987 Wisconsin Act 119.

The Wisconsin Gaming Commission, created by 1991 Wisconsin Act 269, replaced the Lottery Board and the Racing Board and also assumed responsibility for Indian gaming, charitable gaming (bingo and raffles), and crane games. The Wisconsin Gaming Board, created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, replaced the Gaming Commission. (That act also transferred responsibility for management of the Wisconsin Lottery to the Department of Revenue.) 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 transferred gaming duties, except for lottery regulation, to the Department of Administration. 2011 Wisconsin Act 32 eliminated the Office of Energy Independence and transferred to DOA from the Office of the State Treasurer responsibility for the state’s Section 529 College Savings programs and the local government investment pool.

Statutory Councils

Acid Deposition Research Council: Inactive.

The 7-member Acid Deposition Research Council makes recommendations on types and levels of funding for acid deposition research and reviews “acid rain” research. The council was created by 1985 Wisconsin Act 296, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.107 (5) and 16.02 of the statutes.

Certification Standards Review Council: Paul Harris (commercial laboratory representative), chairperson; Patrick Gorski (appointed by UW-Madison chancellor to represent Laboratory of Hygiene), vice chairperson; Kurt Birkett (small municipal wastewater plant representative), secretary; Jennifer Peth (industrial laboratory representative); Sharon Mertens (large municipal wastewater plant representative); vacancy (public water utility representative); vacancy (solid and hazardous waste disposal facility representative); Paul Junio (demonstrated interest in laboratory certification); vacancy (livestock farmer). (Unless otherwise designated, all are appointed by secretary of administration.)

The 9-member Certification Standards Review Council reviews the Department of Natural Resources laboratory certification and registration program and makes recommendations to the department about its programs for testing water, wastewater, waste material, soil, and hazardous waste. The council’s members serve 3-year terms, and no member may serve more than two consecutive terms. The council was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 410, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.107 (12) and 299.11 (3) of the statutes.


The 13-member Council on Small Business, Veteran-Owned Business and Minority Business Opportunities advises the department on the participation of its constituent groups in state purchasing. Its members are appointed for 3-year terms and may not serve more than two consecutive full terms. The law prescribes minimum membership numbers for the types of businesses represented on the council: racial minority-owned (2); owned by handicapped person (1); nonprofit for rehabilitation of disabled (1); and veteran-owned (2). At least one member must represent the Department of Safety and Professional Services and one must be a consumer member. The council was created by Chapter 419, Laws of 1977, and its name and membership were amended by 1991 Wisconsin Act 170 to include veteran-owned business. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.107 (2) and 16.755 of the statutes.

Independent Units Attached for Budgeting, Program Coordination, and Related Management Functions by Section 15.03 of the Statutes

BOARD ON AGING AND LONG-TERM CARE

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Number of Employees: 37.00.

Total Budget 2013-15: $5,663,600.

Statutory References: Sections 15.07 (1)(b) 9., 15.105 (10), and 16.009.

Agency Responsibility: The 7-member Board on Aging and Long-Term Care reports biennially to the governor and the legislature on long-term care for the aged and disabled; state involvement in long-term care; program recommendations; and actions taken by state agencies to carry out the board’s recommendations. The board monitors the development and implementation of federal, state, and local laws and regulations related to long-term care facilities. The board’s ombudsman service investigates complaints from persons receiving long-term care concerning improper treatment or noncompliance with federal or state law and serves as mediator or advocate to resolve disputes between patients and institutions.

The board operates the Medigap Helpline, which provides information and counseling on various types of insurance, including health, hospital indemnity, cancer, nursing home, and long-term care and nursing home policies designed to supplement Medicare. Helpline informa-

The raising of the U.S. and Wisconsin flags over the West Wing of the State Capitol indicates that the Assembly is in session. (Greg Anderson, Legislative Photographer)
tion also covers group insurance continuation and conversion rights, and health maintenance organization plans for Medicare beneficiaries.

The board members, who serve staggered 5-year terms, must have demonstrated a continuing interest in the problems of providing long-term care for the aged and disabled. At least four must be public members with no interest in or affiliation with any nursing home. The board appoints the executive director from the classified service.

The board was created by Chapter 20, Laws of 1981, which merged the Board on Aging and the Governor’s Ombudsman Program for the Aging and Disabled, as the result of a legislative study. Predecessor agencies included the State Commission on Aging, created by Chapter 581, Laws of 1961, followed in 1967 (Chapters 75 and 327) by the Council on Aging in the Department of Health and Social Services, which was subsequently renamed the Board on Aging in Chapter 332, Laws of 1971.

OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

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Statutory References: Sections 15.105 (32) and 16.28.

Agency Responsibility: The Office of Business Development provides administrative support to the Small Business Regulatory Review Board to review, reduce, or remove burdens that unnecessary laws and rules place on small business in Wisconsin, and performs other functions determined by the secretary of administration. The office is under the direction and supervision of a director appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the governor. The deputy director is also appointed by the governor to serve at his or her pleasure. The office was created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 32.

CLAIMS BOARD

Members: Corey Finkelmeyer (Department of Justice representative designated by attorney general), chairperson; Greg Murray (Department of Administration representative designated by secretary of administration), secretary; Senator Olsen (designated by chairperson, Senate Committee on Finance), Representative Czaja (designated by chairperson, Assembly Committee on Finance); Brian Hagedorn (representative of the Office of the Governor designated by governor).

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Number of Employees: 0.00.

Total Budget 2013-15: $288,400.

Statutory References: Sections 15.07 (2)(e), 15.105 (2), and 16.007.

Agency Responsibility: The 5-member Claims Board investigates and pays, denies, or makes recommendations on all money claims against the state of $10 or more, when such claims are referred to it by the Department of Administration. The findings and recommendations of the board are reported to the legislature and no claim may be considered by the legislature until the board has made its recommendation.

Originally, the statutory procedure for making claims against the state was to file the claim with the Director of Budget and Accounts or to have a legislator introduce it as a bill. The legislature created the Claims Commission in Chapter 669, Laws of 1955, to handle these matters.
Under the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the commission was renamed the Claims
Board, and it absorbed the Commission for the Relief of Innocent Persons and the Judgment
Debtor Relief Commission.

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COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM BOARD

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Statutory References: Sections 15.07 (1)(b) 2., 15.105 (25m), and 16.641.

Agency Responsibility: The 11-member College Savings Program Board was created by
1999 Wisconsin Act 44 and its members serve 4-year terms. The board consists of the secretary
of administration or designee, the president of the University of Wisconsin System Board of
Regents or designee, the president of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and
Universities or designee, the chairperson of the State of Wisconsin Investment Board or desig-
nee, the president of the Technical College Board or designee, and six other members appointed
by the governor with senate consent. It administers the EdVest and Tomorrow’s Scholar college
savings program that provides for tax-sheltered investment accounts held in a trust fund to
cover future higher education expenses. Originally attached to the Office of the State Treasurer,
it was attached to the Department of Administration by 2011 Wisconsin Act 32.

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DEPOSITORY SELECTION BOARD

Members: MATT ADAMCZYK (state treasurer), SCOTT NEITZEL (secretary of administration),
RICHARD G. CHANDLER (secretary of revenue).

Statutory References: Sections 15.105 (3) and 34.045.

Agency Responsibility: The 3-member Depository Selection Board, as created by Chapter
418, Laws of 1977, establishes procedures to be used by state agencies in the selection of de-
positaries for public funds and in contracting for their banking services. The board’s ex officio
members may designate others to serve in their place. The secretary of revenue replaced the
executive director of the investment board as a member as a result of 2001 Wisconsin Act 16.

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ELECTRONIC RECORDING COUNCIL

Members: STACI HOFFMAN (register of deeds), chairperson; LISA PETERSEN (representing an
association of title insurance); TYSON FETTES, JODI HELGESON, SHARON MARTIN (registrars of
deeds); MARCIA DROUIN-HOWE (representing an association of bankers); JOHN F. WILCOX
(representing attorneys who practice real property law). (All members are appointed by
governor).

Agency Responsibility: The 7-member Electronic Recording Council recommends standards
regarding the electronic recording of real estate documents for adoption by rules promulgated
by the Department of Administration. The council was created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 421, and
its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.107 (6) and 706.25 (4) of the statutes.

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Number of Employees: 51.95.

Total Budget 2013-15: $11,775,500.

Statutory References: Sections 15.103 (1), 50.04 (4)(e), 227.43, 301.035, and 949.11.

Agency Responsibility: The Division of Hearings and Appeals conducts quasi-judicial hearings for several state agencies. It must decide contested administrative proceedings for the Department of Natural Resources, cases arising under the Department of Justice’s Crime Victim Compensation Program, and appeals related to actions of the Departments of Health Services, Children and Families, Safety and Professional Services, and Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. It also hears appeals from the Department of Transportation, including those related to motor vehicle dealer licenses, highway signs, motor carrier regulation, and disputes arising between motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers. The division conducts hearings for the Department of Corrections regarding probation, parole, and extended supervision revocation and juvenile aftercare supervision. It also handles contested cases for the Department of Public Instruction, the Department of Employee Trust Funds, and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program of the Department of Administration. Other agencies may contract with the division for hearing services.

The secretary of administration appoints the division’s administrator from the classified service. By law, the division operates independently of the department except for certain budgeting and management functions. 1983 Wisconsin Act 27 created the division by combining the Division of Natural Resources Hearings and the Division of Nursing Home Forfeiture Appeals, both originating with the 1977 Legislature. In 1986, the division received jurisdiction over crime victim compensation hearings and cases involving protection of human burial sites. With the creation of the Department of Corrections in 1990, the legislature transferred a portion of the Office of Administrative Hearings from the Departments of Health and Social Services to the division, making the division responsible for parole, probation, and juvenile aftercare revocation. When the Office of the Commissioner of Transportation was abolished in 1993, the legislature transferred many Department of Transportation hearing functions to the division. Contested administrative hearings for the Department of Health Services and the Department of Children and Families were transferred to the division by 1995 Wisconsin Act 370.

INCORPORATION REVIEW BOARD

Members: Ed Eberle (designated by secretary of administration), chairperson; Terrence J. McMahon, Lonnie Muller (appointed by Wisconsin Towns Association); Paul Fisk (appointed by League of Wisconsin Municipalities); Rich Eggelston (appointed by Wisconsin Alliance of Cities).

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Statutory References: Sections 15.07 (2)(m), 15.105 (23), 16.53 (4), 66.0203, and 66.0207.

The 5-member Incorporation Review Board reviews petitions to incorporate territory as a city or village to determine whether the petition meets certain public interest statutory standards. These standards may include characteristics of the proposed municipality’s territory, that part of the territory beyond its most densely populated core, its ability to provide services and generate revenue, and its impact on neighboring jurisdictions. The board is also charged with prescribing and collecting an incorporation review fee. The board must present its findings to the Division of Intergovernmental Relations within 180 days after receipt of referral from a circuit court unless the court sets a different time limit or all parties agree to a stay to allow time for an alternative dispute resolution of any disagreements. Any board member who owns property in, or resides in the town that is the subject of the incorporation petition, or a contiguous city or village, must be replaced for purposes of reviewing that petition. Members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority and, with the exception of the DOA representative, serve only in an advisory capacity. The board was created by 2003 Wisconsin Act 171.
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Members: Inactive.

Agency Responsibility: The Information Technology Management Board advises the Department of Administration on strategic information technology plans submitted by state agencies, the management of the state’s information technology assets, and progress made on agency projects. The board may review the department’s decisions on appeal from other state agencies. The board’s membership includes the governor, the cochairpersons of the legislature’s Joint Committee on Information Policy and Technology or their designees, a member of the minority party from the senate and the assembly, the secretary of administration or designee, 2 heads of departments or independent agencies appointed by the governor, and 2 other members appointed by the governor to 4-year terms. The board was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16 and attached to the Department of Administration by 2003 Wisconsin Act 33. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.105 (28) and 16.978 of the statutes.

INTEROPERABILITY COUNCIL

Members: Matthew Joski (sheriff), chairperson; Brad Schimel (attorney general); Donald Dunbar (adjutant general); Cathy Stepp (secretary of natural resources); Mark Gottlieb (secretary of transportation); David Cagigal (department of administration information technology representative); Bradley Wentlandt (chief of police); Steve Hansen (fire chief); Mindy Allen (emergency medical services director); vacancy (local government elected official); William Stolte (local government emergency management director); Richard VanBoxtel (American Indian tribe or band representative); Lynn Schubert (hospital representative); vacancy (local health department representative); vacancy (person with experience or expertise in interoperable communications).

Agency Responsibility: The 15-member Interoperability Council develops strategies and recommends standards and guidelines for achieving statewide communications interoperability for Wisconsin’s public safety community. The council advises the Department of Justice and the Department of Military Affairs on the allocation of homeland security grants and other funding available for the Wisconsin Interoperability Initiative. The council uses a shared governance approach with four subcommittees to develop policy and procedure recommendations: Wisconsin Interoperable System for Communications (WISCOM); Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN); Land Mobile Radio (LRM); and 911 Subcommittee. Members are appointed by the governor and represent key state and local stakeholders. Through these groups, the council encourages widespread support for achieving statewide interoperability by identifying and addressing the concerns, perspectives, and any unique circumstances of the jurisdictions and organizations that will benefit most from interoperability. The council receives staff support from the Department of Justice as prescribed under Section 165.25 (17) of the statutes. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.107 (18) and 16.9645 of the statutes.

NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD

Members: Kathy Groat (local government representative), chairperson; Lisa Delmore (private, nonprofit representative), vice chairperson; Anthony Hallman (youth education, training and development representative); Christine Beatty (older adult volunteer representative); Scott Jones (superintendent of public instruction designee); James Langdon (secretary of administration designee); Robert Guenther (organized labor representative); Paula Horning (business representative); Kate Jaeger (national service program representative); vacancy (national service program youth representative); Angela Ahlgren, Robert Griffith, Margaret Moore, 4 vacancies (public members). Nonvoting members: India McCanse (Corporation for National and Community Service); John Scocos (Department of Veterans Affairs), Amy McDowell (Department of Health Services), Michael Hinman (Department of Military Affairs), Scott Fromader (Department of Workforce Development). (All except ex officio members are appointed by governor.)

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Number of Employees: 5.00.
Statutory References: Sections 15.105 (24) and 16.22.

Agency Responsibility: The National and Community Service Board, created by 1993 Wisconsin Act 437, in accordance with the federal National and Community Trust Act of 1993, oversees the planning and implementation of community service programs in Wisconsin that meet previously unmet human, public safety, educational, environmental, and homeland security needs. The board is authorized to receive and distribute funds from governmental and private sources, and it acts as an intermediary between the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) and local agencies providing funding for AmeriCorps State programs.

The board oversees 25 AmeriCorps programs consisting of 1,200 AmeriCorps members serving in over 300 placement sites statewide. After completing a successful year of service, AmeriCorps members in Wisconsin are eligible for Federal Education Awards that can be used to pay tuition or pay back student loans.

The board’s voting members, who must number at least 16, are appointed to serve 3-year terms. No more than 4 of them may be state officers and employees, and no more than 9 may be members from the same political party. To the extent practicable, membership should be diverse in terms of race, national origin, age, sex, and disability. Nonvoting members appointed by the governor must include the state representative of the CNCS and may include representatives of state agencies providing community social services.

BOARD FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Members: KEVIN FECH, chairperson; MEREDITH DRESSEL (designated by secretary of workforce development); BETH WROBLESKI (designated by secretary of health services); SUZAN VAN BEAVER (designated by state superintendent of public instruction); WILLIAM MACLEAN (designated by UW Waisman Center Director); BARBARA BECKERT (designated by Disability Rights Wisconsin); ALIZA CLAIRE BIBLE, LYNN CARUS, ELSA DIAZ-BUATISTA, WENDY GAHNACKLEY, DEBRA GLOVER, ROBERT KUHR, RAMSEY LEE, NATHANIEL LENTZ, PAM MALIN, CAMILLE NICKLAUS, DAVID PINNO, JUDITH QUIGLEY, LYNN STANSBERRY-BRUSNAHAN, CAROLE STUEBE, SHEILA THORNTON, PATRICK YOUNG, CINDY ZELLNER-EHLERS (all appointed by governor).

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Number of Employees: 6.75.
Total Budget 2013-15: $2,809,800.
Statutory References: Sections 15.09 (1)(a), 15.105 (8), and 51.437 (14r).

Agency Responsibility: The board, formerly the Council on Developmental Disabilities, advises the Department of Administration, other state agencies, the legislature, and the governor on matters related to developmental disabilities. The statutes do not specify the exact number of board members, but all who serve are appointed to staggered 4-year terms, must be state residents, represent all geographic areas of the state, and the state’s diversity with respect to race and ethnicity. The public members appointed by the governor must include representatives of public and private nonprofit agencies that provide direct services at the local level to persons with developmental disabilities. At least 60% of the board’s members must be persons who have developmental disabilities or are the parents, relatives, or guardians of such individuals, but these members may not be associated with public or private agencies that receive federal funding. The members appointed by agency heads represent the relevant agencies of the state that administer federal funds related to individuals with disabilities. The Council on Developmental Disabilities was created within the Department of Health and Family Services by Chapter 322,
Laws of 1971, and made an independent unit by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977. 2007 Wisconsin Act 20 renamed it the Board for People with Developmental Disabilities, renumbered it from s. 15.197 (11n), and attached it to the Department of Administration under s. 15.03.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC LANDS
Commissioners: DOUGLAS J. LA FOLLETTE (secretary of state), MATT ADAMCZYK (state treasurer), BRAD SCHIMEL (attorney general). (All serve as ex officio members.)

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Publications: Biennial Report; Common School Fund/Normal School Fund Brochure; Trust Assets and Programs Fact Sheet; State Trust Fund Loan Program Brochure.
Number of Employees: 9.50.
Total Budget 2013-15: $3,099,400.
Constitutional Reference: Article X, Sections 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8.
Statutory References: Section 15.103 (4) and Chapter 24.
Agency Responsibility and History: The Board of Commissioners of Public Lands and its Division of Trust Lands and Investments manage the state’s remaining trust lands, manage trust funds primarily for the benefit of public education, and maintain the state’s original 19th century land survey and land sales records.

The board was created in 1848 by Article X of the Wisconsin Constitution to manage and sell lands that were granted to the state by the federal government for the purposes of supporting public education and developing the state’s infrastructure. Nearly all of the approximately 3.6 million acres from federal land grants that were placed into trust for the benefit of public education have been sold. The agency still holds title to about 77,000 acres of trust lands. Of those remaining lands, almost 71,000 acres are Normal School Trust Lands and nearly 6,100 acres are Common School Trust Lands. The School Trust Lands are managed for timber production, natural area preservation, and public use.

The constitution established “a board of commissioners for the sale of school and university lands and for the investment of funds arising therefrom” consisting of the Secretary of State, State Treasurer, and Attorney General. The Revised Statutes of 1849 created the Board of Commissioners of the School and University Lands. In 1878, the board was renamed the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands. Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, created the Division of Trust Lands and Investments, under the supervision of the board, to serve as the board’s operating agency. The board appoints an executive secretary outside the classified service to administer the division. The division was originally attached to the Department of Natural Resources. Since then, the legislature has successively attached the division to the Department of Justice (Chapter 34, Laws of 1979), the Department of Administration (1993 Wisconsin Act 16), the Office of the State Treasurer (1995 Wisconsin Act 27), and again to the Department of Administration (1997 Wisconsin Act 27).

The agency manages four “trust funds”, the largest of which is the Common School Fund. The principal of this fund continues to grow through the collection of fees, fines, and forfeitures
that accrue to the state. Most of the trust fund assets are invested in loans to Wisconsin municipalities and school districts through the State Trust Fund Loan Program. The loans finance a wide variety of public purpose projects statewide while providing the trust funds with a reasonable rate of return at low risk. Over the last five years, Wisconsin citizens have benefited from $695.8 million in trust fund loans used to support community, public safety, economic development, and school projects. Trust assets that are not invested in trust fund loans are invested in state and municipal bonds and the State Investment Fund. The agency is self-funded and distributes more than 96 cents of every investment dollar earned to its beneficiaries as directed by Article X of the state constitution.

The net earnings of the Common School Fund are distributed annually by the Department of Public Instruction to all Wisconsin public school districts. During the 2014 and 2015 fiscal years, a total of $65.7 million in earnings were distributed from the Common School Fund to support public school libraries throughout Wisconsin. The other small trust funds are used to support the University of Wisconsin and the state’s general fund. 2005 Wisconsin Act 352 enables the board to use the proceeds of the state of trust lands to purchase other property to improve timberland management, prevent forest fragmentation, or increase public access to existing land holdings. Over the last five years, the agency has increased lands managed for timber by 25% and increased public access by 28%.

**PUBLIC RECORDS BOARD**

*Members:* MATTHEW Blessing (representing the director, state historical society), chairperson; SANDRA Broady-RUDD (governor’s designee), vice chairperson; CARL Buesing (local government representative), secretary; vacancy (attorney general or designee); BRYAN NAAB (representing the state auditor); MELISSA SCHMIDT (representing the director of the legislative council staff); vacancy (small business representative); PETER SORCE (other member).

(Representatives are appointed by the respective officers or the governor.)

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*Publications:* General Schedules for Records Common to State Agencies and Local Units of Government; miscellaneous training and records materials.

*Statutory References:* Sections 15.105 (4) and 16.61.

*Agency Responsibility:* The 8-member Public Records Board is responsible for the preservation of important state records, the cost-effective management of records by state agencies, and the orderly disposition of state records that have become obsolete. State agencies must have written approval from the board to dispose of records they generate or receive.

1991 Wisconsin Acts 39 and 269 directed the board to create a registry of those record series that contain personally identifiable information and made it the repository for general information about state computer matching programs.

Originally created by Chapter 316, Laws of 1947, as the Committee on Public Records and placed under the State Historical Society, the agency was transferred to the governor’s office by Chapter 547, Laws of 1957. The committee was renamed the Public Records Board and attached to the Department of Administration by Chapter 75, Laws of 1967. Chapter 350, Laws of 1981, changed the board’s name to the Public Records and Forms Board and added forms management to its duties. In 1995, Wisconsin Act 27 designated the board’s current name and removed its forms management duties.

**SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD**

*Members:* SENATOR MARKLEIN (senate small business committee chairperson), REPRESENTATIVE NEYLON (assembly small business committee chairperson); STEVE DAVIS, ERICH KORTH, JIM RING, MINOO SEIFODDINI, GUY WOOD, THOMAS WULF, vacancy (appointed by governor).

*Statutory References:* Sections 15.105 (33), and 227.30.
Agency Responsibility: The 9-member Small Business Regulatory Review Board may determine that a newly filed emergency rule would have a significant fiscal impact on small businesses, defined as ones that employ 25 or fewer full-time employees or have gross annual sales of less than $5 million. The board may further determine whether the issuing agency has complied with statutory provisions that seek to reduce the impact of rules on small businesses and whether the data used to propose a rule is accurate. If the board finds an agency has not complied with the law, it may request compliance from that agency, and, in addition, suggest changes to the proposed rule. The board may also review state agency rules and guidelines to determine whether they place an unnecessary burden on small businesses. If the board determines a rule or guideline does place an undue burden on small businesses, it submits a report and recommendations to the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules.

The 7 members the governor appoints represent small business and serve 3-year terms. The senate majority leader and assembly speaker each appoint one chairperson from standing committees concerned with small business. The board was created by 2003 Wisconsin Act 145 and its membership was revised by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20 and 2011 Wisconsin Acts 32 and 46.

STATE CAPITOL AND EXECUTIVE RESIDENCE BOARD

Members: Senator Risser, chairperson; Cindy Torstveit (designated by secretary of administration); Jim Draeger (designated by director, state historical society); vacancy (engineer employed by the Department of Administration and appointed by secretary); Senators Olsen, Roth; Representatives Born, Hesselbein, Hintz, Loudebeck; Arlan K. Kay, Ron Sigglekow (architects); John J. Fernholz (landscape architect); Debra Alton, Laurel Brown (interior designers); Marijo Reed (citizen member or architect, landscape architect, or interior designer). (All except ex officio members and their designees are appointed by governor.)

Statutory References: Sections 15.105 (5) and 16.83.
Agency Responsibility: The 16-member State Capitol and Executive Residence Board (SCERB), created by Chapters 183 and 217, Laws of 1967, includes 7 citizen members with specified expertise, appointed by the governor to serve staggered 6-year terms. The purpose of the board is to ensure the architectural and decorative integrity of the buildings, decorative furniture, furnishings, and grounds of the capitol and executive residence and direct the continuing and consistent maintenance of the properties. No renovations, repairs (except of an emergency nature), installation of fixtures, decorative items, or furnishings for the ground and buildings of the capitol or executive residence may be performed by or become the property of the state by purchase wholly or in part from state funds, or by gift, loan or otherwise, until approved by the board as to design, structure, composition, and appropriateness.

History: Increasing awareness of and concern for preserving and protecting the special nature of the people’s buildings led to creation of a mechanism for ensuring that the public interest and appropriate standards be carefully considered when altering or redecorating historic facilities. Building upon the State Capitol Restoration Guidelines prepared in 1980 by the Department of Administration’s Division of State Facilities, the Legislature’s Joint Committee on Legislative Organization in 1987 approved the Capitol Master Plan, which envisioned a full-scale renovation of the Capitol, balancing the integrity of the building with the need to maintain it as a modern, functioning seat of government. After approval of the plan by SCERB and the State of Wisconsin Building Commission, renovation of the Capitol, whose construction had been completed in 1917, commenced in 1990 and concluded in 2001. The project included extensive updating and improvements to the plumbing, electrical, and heating and cooling systems, and largely restored office spaces to their original décor. The board is also responsible for overseeing the upkeep of the Classical Revival home on the shores of Lake Mendota in the Village of Maple Bluff that has served as the official residence of the governor’s family for over 50 years.

Office of State

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS

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Number of Employees: 49.95.

Total Budget 2013-15: $11,984,700.
**Executive Branch**

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.105 (29); Chapter 111, Subchapter V, and Chapter 230.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Office of State Employment Relations is responsible for personnel and employment relations policies and programs for state government employees. The office administers the state’s classified service, which is designed to staff state governmental agencies with employees chosen on the basis of merit. It evaluates job categories, determines employee performance and training needs, and assists managers in their supervisory duties. The office sets standards for and ensures compliance with affirmative action plans and provides training on human resource programs to supervisors, managers, human resource staff, and other state employees. It represents the executive branch in its role as an employer under the state’s employment relations statutes.

A director, appointed by the governor, administers the office. The director appoints the administrators of the Division of Affirmative Action and the Division of Compensation and Labor Relations from outside the classified service. The governor appoints the administrator of the Division of Merit Recruitment and Selection to a 5-year term, with the advice and consent of the senate, based on a competitive examination. The governor may appoint the administrator for subsequent 5-year terms with the senate’s consent.

**Unit Functions:**

- **The Division of Affirmative Action** administers the state’s equal employment opportunity/affirmative action (EEO/AA) program and reports annually to the governor and legislature about the affirmative action accomplishments of state agencies. It develops state EEO/AA policies, procedures and programs; establishes state standards for agencies, the University of Wisconsin System, and legislative service agencies; approves and monitors agency EEO/AA plans, analyzes state workforce data for use in developing EEO/AA reports and recommendations. It monitors the effect of personnel transactions, hiring processes and employment conditions at state agencies to ensure that AA group members are not adversely affected, provides information and technical assistance to agencies to assist in the development of innovative personnel programs to increase the effectiveness of state EEO/AA efforts, assists in compliance investigations, helps state agencies in the recruitment for hard-to-fill positions, provides EEO/AA and diversity training to supervisors and managers, and provides support staff to the Council on Affirmative Action.

- **The Division of Compensation and Labor Relations** administers the state’s compensation plan and leave statutes and policies. It also assists in state agency compliance with the federal and state family and medical leave acts. The division represents the state as the employer in negotiating wages, benefits, and working conditions with the certified labor unions that represent state employees, and those contracts must then be ratified by the legislature. The division serves the state in arbitration proceedings and conducts labor relations training programs for state management representatives. It assigns nonrepresented classifications to pay ranges and assigns certain represented classifications to pay ranges as part of the collective bargaining process. It also assists in state agency compliance with protective occupation determinations and the federal Fair Labor Standards Act.

- **The Division of Merit Recruitment and Selection**, created in Section 15.105 (29)(b) in 2003 Wisconsin Act 33, administers the state’s civil service system by coordinating the recruiting, testing, evaluating, and hiring of applicants. It conducts and coordinates training for state managers and human resources staff. The division assists agencies in workforce planning and administers layoffs, transfers, and reinstatements of nonrepresented classified employees. It allocates positions to classifications and administers the state’s performance evaluation program. The division operates Wisconsin Personnel Partners, which provides personnel services to local government units, and the Wisconsin Certification Examination Services, which provides licensure examination services to agencies on a fee basis. The division also oversees the administration of employee assistance programs in all state agencies, under which state employees and their families may receive assistance with personal or work-related problems.

**History:** An office that administers state employment procedures dates back to the creation of a State Civil Service Commission in Chapter 363, Laws of 1905. The law declared that appointments to and promotions in the civil service would be made only according to merit. Chapter 456, Laws of 1929, reconstituted the commission as the Personnel Board within the newly created Bureau of Personnel. This structure continued for 30 years until the legislature
placed the board and bureau in the new Department of Administration, created in Chapter 228, Laws of 1959.

In 1972, Governor Patrick Lucey issued an executive order creating an affirmative action unit in the Bureau of Personnel. The order also directed the head of every state agency to encourage women and minorities to apply for promotions and to designate an affirmative action officer responsible for developing an affirmative action plan.

Chapter 196, Laws of 1977, created the Department of Employment Relations and transferred to it from the Department of Administration the organizational units and functions of the Employee Relations Division, including affirmative action, personnel, collective bargaining, and human resources services.

The legislature reorganized personnel functions in 1983 Wisconsin Act 27 by assigning classification and compensation responsibility to the secretary and recruitment and examination responsibility to a statutorily created Division of Merit Recruitment and Selection. The same law created the Personnel Board as an independent agency to review civil service rules and investigate and report on their impact. 1989 Wisconsin Act 31 abolished the Personnel Board and transferred its functions to the department. The 2003-05 biennial budget, Act 33, abolished the department and created the Office of State Employment Relations attached to the Department of Administration.

**Statutory Council and Board**

**Affirmative Action, Council on:** CHRISTOPHER ZENCHENKO (appointed by senate president), chairperson; JAMES PARKER (appointed by governor), vice chairperson; ROGER L. PULLIAM (appointed by assembly speaker); vacancy (appointed by senate minority leader), vacancy (appointed by assembly minority leader); YOLANDA SANTOS ADAMS, LAKSHMI BHARADWAI, JANICE K. HUGHES, JOHN MAGERUS, SANDRA RYAN, RONALD SHAHEED, NANCY VUE, 3 vacancies (appointed by governor).

Contact person: vacancy, administrator, Division of Affirmative Action and Workforce Planning, 266-3017.

The 15-member Council on Affirmative Action advises the director of state employment relations, evaluates affirmative action programs throughout the classified service, seeks compliance with state and federal regulations, and recommends improvements in the state’s affirmative action efforts. The council must report annually to the legislature and governor. It may recommend legislation, consult with agency personnel and other interested groups, and conduct hearings. Council members serve 3-year terms. A majority of them must be public members, and a majority must represent minority persons, women, and people with disabilities. The council was created by Chapter 196, Laws of 1977, in the Department of Employment Relations and is located in the Office of State Employment Relations (2003 Wisconsin Act 33). Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.105 (29)(d) and 230.46 of the statutes.

**State Employees Suggestion Board:** DANIELLE JOHNSON, chairperson; PAUL RUBY, vacancy (all appointed by governor).

Internet Address: http://suggest.wi.gov

The 3-member State Employees Suggestion Board administers an awards program to encourage unusual and meritorious suggestions and accomplishments by state employees that promote economy and efficiency in government services. Board members are appointed for 4-year terms, and at least one of them must be a state officer or employee. The board was created by Chapter 278, Laws of 1953, as the Wisconsin State Employees Merit Award Board and renamed in 1987 Wisconsin Act 142. It has been successively located in the Bureau of Personnel, the Department of Administration, the Department of Employment Relations (1989 Wisconsin Act 31), and the Office of State Employment Relations (2003 Wisconsin Act 33). Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.105 (29)(c) and 230.48 of the statutes.

**STATE USE BOARD**

Members: JEAN ZWEIFEL (work center representative), chairperson; MICHAEL CASEY, vacancy (public members); vacancy (mental health services representative, Department of Health Services); ENID GLENN (vocational rehabilitation representative, Department of Workforce
Development); **Nickolas C. George, Jr.** (private business representative); **Helen McCain** (Department of Administration representative); **Bill G. Smith** (small business representative). (All are appointed by governor.)

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**Number of Employees:** 1.50.

**Total Budget 2013-15:** $257,600.

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.105 (22) and 16.752.

**Agency Responsibility:** The 8-member State Use Board was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 345. Its members, who serve 4-year terms, oversee state purchases from work centers certified by the board. To be certified, centers must meet certain conditions: 1) the work center must make a product or provide a service the state needs; 2) it must offer these goods or services at a fair market price; and 3) it must employ individuals with severe disabilities for at least 75% of the direct labor used in providing the goods or services.

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**TAX APPEALS COMMISSION**

**Commissioners:** **Lorna Hemp Boll,** **David W. Wilmoth,** vacancy (appointed by governor with senate consent).

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**Number of Employees:** 5.00.

**Total Budget 2013-15:** $1,076,400.

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.01 (2), 15.06 (1), 15.105 (1), and 73.01.

**Publications:** Decisions are at: www.wisbar.org/taxappeals.

**Agency Responsibility:** The 3-member Tax Appeals Commission hears and decides appeals of persons and entities of assessments and determinations of the Department of Revenue involving all major state-imposed taxes, including individual and corporate income taxes, homestead and farmland preservation tax credits, real estate transfer fees, and sales and use taxes, as well as appeals of state assessments of manufacturing property. The commission also hears and decides disputes between persons or entities and the Department of Transportation regarding certain motor vehicle taxes and fees. Cases involving the reasonableness of municipally imposed fees also fall under the jurisdiction of this commission. The commission’s decisions may be appealed to circuit court.

Commissioners serve staggered 6-year terms and must be experienced in tax matters. The chairperson, who is designated by the governor to serve a 2-year term, must not serve on or under any committee of a political party. Employees of the commission are appointed by the chairperson from the classified service.

The Tax Appeals Commission was created as the Board of Tax Appeals by Chapter 412, Laws of 1939. Before 1939, individuals took appeals of income and property taxes to the local county board of review with appeal permitted to the state Tax Commission. Corporations took their appeals to the Commissioner of Taxation with appeal to the circuit court. The board was renamed the Tax Appeals Commission by Chapter 75, Laws of 1967.

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**COUNCIL ON UTILITY PUBLIC BENEFITS**

**Members:** Inactive

The 11-member Council on Utility Public Benefits advises the Department of Administration on issues related to energy efficiency, conservation programs, and energy assistance to low-income households, including weatherization, payment of energy bills, and early identification and prevention of energy crises. Services are provided through community action agencies,
nonprofit corporations, or local governments. Grants are also awarded to nonprofit corporations for energy conservation and efficiency services, renewable resources in the least competitive sectors of the energy conservation market, and programs that promote environmental protection, electric system reliability, or rural economic development. The council was created by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.107 (17) and 16.957 of the statutes.

**VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN SERVICE AWARD BOARD**

*Members:* Ed Eberle (secretary of administration designee), chairperson; vacancy (fire chiefs statewide organization representative); Kenneth A. Bartz (volunteer fire fighters statewide organization representative), Melinda R. Allen (volunteer emergency medical service technician), Allen R. Schraeder, 2 vacancies (representatives of municipalities using volunteer fire fighters), John Scherer (individual experienced in financial planning). (All but ex officio members are appointed by governor.)

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*Number of Employees:* 0.00.

*Total Budget 2013-15:* $4,060,500.

*Statutory References:* Sections 15.105 (26) and 16.25.

The Service Award Program operates under the direction of an 8-member Volunteer Fire Fighter and Emergency Medical Technician Service Award Board appointed by the governor. It establishes by rule a tax-deferred benefit program for volunteer fire fighters, emergency medical technicians, and first responders based on their length of service to a community. The program is designed to assist municipalities in retaining volunteers. The board contracts with qualified organizations to provide investment plans and administrative services to municipalities that choose to participate in the service awards program, and the communities make payments directly to the plan providers. In appointing the board members, who serve 3-year terms, the governor must seek representatives from different regions of the state and from municipalities of different sizes. Representatives of the fire chiefs and volunteer fire fighters organizations must be volunteer fire fighters themselves. The board was created by 1999 Wisconsin Act 105.

**WASTE FACILITY SITING BOARD**

*Members:* All positions are currently vacant, and appointments would be made as necessary to resolve a case put before the board for resolution: secretary of transportation or designee; secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection or designee; secretary of safety and professional services or designee; two town officials; county official. (Town and county officials are appointed by governor with senate consent.)

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*Number of Employees:* 0.00.

*Total Budget 2013-15:* $91,000.

*Statutory References:* Sections 15.07 (1)(b) 11., 15.105 (12), 289.33, and 289.64.

*Agency Responsibility:* The 6-member Waste Facility Siting Board supervises a mandated negotiation-arbitration procedure between applicants for new or expanded solid or hazardous waste facility licenses and local committees composed of representatives from the municipalities affected by proposed facilities. It is authorized to make final awards in arbitration hearings and can enforce legal deadlines and other obligations of applicants and local committees during the process.
When making appointments of town and county officials, the governor must consider timely recommendations of the Wisconsin Towns Association and the Wisconsin Counties Association. The board appoints an executive director who is authorized to request assistance from any state agency in helping the board fulfill its duties. The board is funded by a fee on each ton of waste disposed of in a licensed solid or hazardous waste facility. The board was created by Chapter 374, Laws of 1981.

**WOMEN’S COUNCIL**

*Members*: Mary Jo Baas (public member appointed by governor), *chairperson*; Senators Hansen, Shilling (appointed by senate majority leader); Representatives 2 vacancies (appointed by assembly speaker); Michelle Mettner (designated by governor); Sarah Briganti, Heather Smith (public members appointed by senate president); Heidi Green, Kim Nickel (public members appointed by assembly speaker); Renee Boldt, Nicole Bowman-Farrell, Patty Cadorin, Karen Katz, Jessie Nicholson (public members appointed by governor).

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*Publications*: Numerous publications related to the council’s mission.

*Number of Employees*: 1.00.

*Total Budget 2013-15*: $280,800.

*Statutory References*: Sections 15.107 (11) and 16.01.

*Agency Responsibility*: The 15-member Women’s Council is charged with identifying barriers that prevent women in Wisconsin from participating fully and equally in all aspects of life. The council promotes public and private sector initiatives that empower women through educational opportunity; provides a clearinghouse for information relating to women’s issues; works in cooperation with related groups and organizations; and promotes opportunities for partnerships with various organizations to address issues affecting Wisconsin women. The council advises state agencies about the impact upon women of current and emerging state policies, laws, and rules; recommends changes to the public and private sectors and initiates legislation to further women’s economic and social equality and improve this state’s tax base and economy; and disseminates information on the status of women in this state.

The governor or governor’s designee serves a 4-year term on the council; all other members serve 2-year terms. The governor appoints 6 public members, one of whom the governor designates as chairperson. The Women’s Council was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 27. It was preceded by a nonstatutory commission, the Governor’s Commission on the Status of Women, which was created in 1964 and abolished in 1979.

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Bureaus of: Food Safety and Inspection Meat Safety and Inspection

Division of Management Services
Bureaus of: Finance Human Resources Information Technology Services Laboratory Services

Division of Trade and Consumer Protection
Bureaus of: Business Trade Practices Consumer Protection

Units attached for administrative purposes under Sec. 15.03:

- Bioenergy Council
- Land and Water Conservation Board
- Livestock Facility Siting Review Board

**Number of Employees:** 623.89.

**Total Budget 2013-15:** $193,262,300.

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.13, 15.135, and 15.137; Chapters 88, 91-100, 127, and 136.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection regulates agriculture, trade, and commercial activity in Wisconsin for the protection of the state’s citizens. It enforces the state’s primary consumer protection laws, including those relating to deceptive advertising, unfair business practices, and consumer product safety. The department oversees enforcement of Wisconsin’s animal health and disease control laws and conducts a variety of programs to conserve and protect the state’s vital land, water, and plant resources.

The department administers financial security programs to protect agricultural producers, facilitates the marketing of Wisconsin agricultural products in interstate and international markets, and promotes agricultural development and diversification.

**Organization:** The 9 members of the Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection serve staggered 6-year terms. Of the board members, 2 must be consumer representatives and 7 must have an agricultural background. Appointments to the board must be made “without regard to party affiliation, residence or interest in any special organized group”. The board directs and supervises the department, which is administered by a secretary appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the division administrators from outside the classified service.

**Unit Functions:** The Division of Agricultural Development provides services to assist producers, agribusinesses, and organizations to develop local, state, national, and international markets for Wisconsin agricultural products and to foster agricultural development and diversification in the state. It also provides counseling and mediation services to farmers, administers a rural electric power service program with the Public Service Commission, and oversees the operation of producer-elected marketing boards that assess fees within their respective groups for promotion, research, and education related to their commodities. The division also administers Agricultural Development and Diversification grants, a federal-state market news program, the “Something Special from Wisconsin” and Alice in Dairyland marketing programs, as well as the state aid programs for county and district fairs, the Livestock Breeders Association, and World Dairy Expo.

The Division of Agricultural Resource Management administers programs designed to protect the state’s agricultural resources, as well as public health and the environment. It works to prevent agricultural practices that contaminate surface water and groundwater and jointly administers a nonpoint source pollution control program with the Department of Natural Resources. It directs programs related to farmland preservation and soil and land conservation, agricultural chemical cleanup, drainage districts, and agricultural impact statements. It regulates the sale and use of pesticides, animal feed, fertilizers, seed, and soil and plant additives and conducts programs to prevent and control plant pests, such as the gypsy moth.

The Division of Animal Health works closely with agricultural producers and veterinarians to diagnose, prevent, and control serious domestic animal diseases that threaten public health and the food chain. It licenses and inspects animal dealers and markets, regulates the import and export of animals across state lines, acts to prevent the spread of animal diseases, and assists in the enforcement of state humane laws. Through the Premises Identification Program, it registers persons who keep livestock and assigns an identification code to each place at which
livestock are kept to facilitate animal disease control. It also regulates emerging industries, such as aquaculture and farm-raised deer.

The Division of Food Safety protects the state’s food supply. From production through processing, packaging, distribution, and retail sale, the division works to ensure safe and wholesome food and to prevent fraud and misbranding in food sales. It licenses and inspects dairy plants, food and beverage processing establishments, meat slaughter and processing facilities, food warehouses, grocery stores, and other food establishments. The division inspects all dairy farms; inspects and samples food products; oversees food grading; and regulates the advertising, packaging, and labeling of food products.

The Division of Management Services provides administrative services to the department, including budget and accounting; facilities and fleet management; shipping, mailing, and printing; human resource management; and information technology services. The division also operates a general laboratory that provides analytical support to departmental inspection and sampling programs.

The Division of Trade and Consumer Protection enforces a wide range of consumer protection laws and handles nearly 200,000 consumer complaints and inquiries annually. It promulgates and enforces rules pertaining to deceptive advertising, consumer fraud, consumer product safety, landlord-tenant practices, home improvement, telecommunications, telemarketing, motor vehicle repair, fair packaging and labeling, weights and measures, and many other aspects of marketing. To promote fair and open competition in the marketplace, the division investigates and regulates unfair and anticompetitive business practices. It monitors the financial condition and business practices of dairy plants, grain warehouses, food processing plants, and public storage warehouses in order to protect agricultural producers and depositors. It also administers the state’s Telemarketing No-Call List.

**History:** The present form of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is largely the result of the consolidation of several related agencies in 1929, but the department traces its lineage and responsibilities back to pre-statehood days.

From its beginnings, Wisconsin has been concerned with agriculture; food quality, safety, and labeling; plant and animal health; unfair business and trade practices; and consumer protection, and has taken steps to protect the public. The 1839 territorial legislature provided for the inspection of certain food and other products and established a program to regulate weights and measures. County inspectors were responsible for certifying the grade, wholesomeness, quantity, and proper packaging of food and distilled spirits, with county treasurers charged with enforcing the weights and measures standards. The 1867 Legislature, in Chapter 176, authorized the governor to appoint a treasury agent to enforce the laws relating to itinerant sales by “hawkers and peddlers”. The 1889 Legislature, in Chapter 452, created the Office of the Dairy and Food Commissioner to enforce food safety, food labeling, and weights and measures laws. Other legislation over the years created various related functions such as the State Veterinarian, the State Board of Agriculture, the Inspector of Apiaries, the State Orchard and Nursery Inspector, the State Supervisor of Illuminating Oils, and the State Humane Agent.

The Department of Agriculture was created by Chapter 413, Laws of 1915, which combined the functions of several prior entities including the Board of Agriculture, Livestock Sanitary Board, State Veterinarian, Inspector of Apiaries, and Orchard and Nursery Inspector. Under the control and supervision of a Commissioner of Agriculture appointed by the governor with senate consent, the department had the responsibility to promote the interests of agriculture, dairying, horticulture, manufactures, and the domestic arts. It collected and published farm crop, livestock, and other statistics relating to state resources and regulated the practice of veterinary medicine. Through its own informational publications and paid advertisements in print media both inside the country and in foreign lands, it also sought to further the “development and enrichment” of the state by attracting “desirable immigrants” and “capital seeking profitable investment”. These efforts were intended to promote the advantages and opportunities offered by the state “to the farmer, the merchant, the manufacturer, the home seeker, and the summer visitor”.

The Division of Markets was created within the Department of Agriculture by Chapter 670, Laws of 1919. The duty of the division was to promote, in the interest of the producer, distribu-
tor, and consuming public, the economical and efficient distribution of farm products. Responsibilities included devising systems for marketing, grading, standardization, and storage of farm products; preventing deceptive practices; maintaining a market news service for collecting and reporting information on the supply, demand, prices, and commercial movement of farm products; and designing copyrighted trademarks, labels, and brands for Wisconsin farm products. A separate Department of Markets was created by Chapter 571, Laws of 1921, under the direction of a commissioner of markets appointed by the governor with senate consent. The department retained most of the duties of the former division, but was allowed to give assistance to cooperative associations and was specifically charged with regulating unfair methods of competition in business and unfair trade practices.

The modern department had its inception when Chapter 479, Laws of 1929, created the Department of Agriculture and Markets by consolidation of the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Markets, the Dairy and Food Commissioner, the State Treasury Agent, the State Supervisor of Inspectors of Illuminating Oils, and the State Humane Agent. The department, which was under the control of three commissioners appointed by the governor with senate consent, assumed all duties performed by the component agencies. The department was reorganized and renamed the Department of Agriculture by Chapter 85, Laws of 1939, but its basic mission and authority was not changed. The department was overseen by a 7-member State Board of Agriculture, whose members, appointed by the governor with senate consent, in turn appointed the department’s director. All members of the board were required to be persons experienced in farming.

The department’s name was changed to the current Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977. This law also specified that one of the 7 board members must be a consumer representative.

1995 Wisconsin Act 27 directed the governor, rather than the board, to appoint the department secretary with senate consent, and expanded the board’s membership to 8, including 2 consumer representatives. The board continues to set policy for the agency. Act 27 also consolidated the administration of most consumer protection activities within the department by transferring some staff and functions from the Department of Justice. However, the Department of Justice cooperates in the enforcement of consumer protection laws by providing legal services such as civil litigation. 1997 Wisconsin Act 95 added a ninth board member to represent agriculture.

In recent decades, the legislature has expanded the department’s responsibilities related to land and water resources, including the areas of soil conservation, drainage districts, groundwater protection, nonpoint source pollution abatement, pesticides, animal disease control, and agricultural chemical storage and cleanup. It has allowed the department to create marketing boards for agricultural commodities, to promote agricultural development and diversification, and promote the state’s agricultural products in interstate and international markets. The department also conducts programs for protecting producers against catastrophic financial defaults, farmland preservation, and farm mediation.

Statutory Councils

Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council: Kathy Schmitt (secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection designee); Sharon Wendt (state superintendent of public instruction designee); Mike Greco (secretary of workforce development designee); Cate Rahmlow (chief executive officer of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation designee); JD Smith (secretary of natural resources designee); John Shutke (president of the University of Wisconsin System designee); Taylor Weichman (director of the technical college system designee); David Williams (chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Extension designee); Michael Compton (member chosen jointly by deans of specified UW System colleges and UW-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine); Lori Weyers (technical college system director appointed by director of the technical college system); David Shonkweiler (technical college dean with authority over agricultural programs appointed by director of technical college system); Senator Olsen (chairperson of a senate standing committee concerned with education); Representative Thiesfeldt (chairperson of an assembly standing committee concerned with education); Senator Moulton (chairperson
of a senate standing committee concerned with agriculture); **Representative Nerison** (chairperson of an assembly standing committee concerned with agriculture); **Paul Larson** (Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators representative); **Karen Gefvert, Becky LeVzow** (general agriculture representatives); **Terri Dallas, Paul Dietzman** (agribusiness representatives); **Cheryl Todea** (representative environmental stewardship); **Earl Gustafson** (representative of businesses related to natural resources); **Liz Henry** (representative of businesses related to plant agriculture); **Richard Miller** (representative of landscaping, golf course, greenhouse, floral, and related businesses); **Laura Bahn-Wornell** (representative of food product and food processing businesses); **Andrea Brossard Martin** (representative of businesses related to animal agriculture); **Dan Wegner** (representative of businesses related to renewable energy); **Bob Meyer** (representative of agricultural communication interests); **Al Herrman** (representative of businesses providing engineering, mechanical, electronic, and power services relating to agriculture); vacancy (board of agriculture, trade and consumer protection representative); **Dave Kruse** (teacher of science, vocational technology, business, math, or a similar field, appointed by superintendent of public instruction); vacancy (school guidance counselor, appointed by superintendent of public instruction); **Bill Herr** (school board member, appointed by superintendent of public instruction); vacancy (school district administrator, appointed by superintendent of public instruction) (all except ex officio members, legislators, and those appointed by the superintendent of public instruction are appointed by the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection).

The mission of the 34-member Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council is to recommend policies and other changes to improve the efficiency of the development and provision of agricultural education across educational systems and to support employment in industries related to agriculture, food, and natural resources by seeking to increase the hiring and retention of well-qualified employees and promote the coordination of educational systems to develop, train, and retrain employees for current and future careers. It also advises state agencies on matters relating to integrating agricultural education and workforce development systems. All except ex officio members and legislators are appointed for staggered 3-year terms and may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms. The council was created by 2007 Wisconsin Act 223 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.137 (2) and 93.33 of the statutes.

**Agricultural Producer Security Council:** **Craig Myrhe** (Farmer’s Educational and Cooperative Union of America, Wisconsin Division, representative), **Nicholas George** (Midwest Food Processor’s Association, Inc., representative), **Don Hamm** (National Farmer’s Organization, Inc., representative), vacancy (Wisconsin Agri-Service Association, Inc., representative), **John Umhoefer** (Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association representative), **Jim Zimmermann** (representative of both the Wisconsin Corn Growers Association, Inc., and the Wisconsin Soybean Association, Inc.), **Louise Hemstead** (Wisconsin Dairy Products Association, Inc., representative), **Dave Daniels** (Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation representative), **John Manske** (Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives representative), **Jeremie Pavelski** (Wisconsin Potato and Vegetable Growers Association, Inc., representative) (appointed by the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection).

The 10-member Agricultural Producer Security Council advises the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) on the administration and enforcement of agricultural producer security programs. All members are appointed by the secretary of DATCP for 3-year terms. The council was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.137 (1) and 126.90 of the statutes.

**Farm to School Council.**

The Farm to School Council advises the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection regarding the promotion and administration of farm to school programs. The secretary of DATCP appoints an employee of the department and appoints an unspecified number of farmers, experts in child care, school food service personnel, and other persons with interests in agriculture, nutrition, and education. The secretary of health services appoints an employee of the department of health services and the superintendent of public instruction appoints an employee
of the department of public instruction. The council was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 293 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.137 (3) and 93.49 of the statutes.

**Fertilizer Research Council:** Voting members: **Bruce Andersen, Brian Madigan, Andy Walsh** (industry representatives nominated by fertilizer industry); **JASON Henschler, ALAN JEWELL, Tom Novak** (crop producing farmer representatives); **Joe Baeten** (water quality expert appointed by secretary of natural resources). (All except the water quality expert are appointed jointly by secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection and dean of UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.) Nonvoting members: **Ben Brancel** (secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection), **Cathy Stepp** (secretary of natural resources), **Bill Bland, Geoff Siemering** (UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences).

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The Fertilizer Research Council meets annually to review and recommend projects involving research on soil management, soil fertility, plant nutrition, and for research on surface and groundwater problems related to fertilizer use. The secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection grants final approval for project funding. These research projects are granted to the UW System and are financed through funds generated from the sale of fertilizer and soil or plant additives in Wisconsin. The council’s voting members are appointed for 3-year terms and may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms. The council was created by Chapter 418, Laws of 1977, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.137 (5) and 94.64 (8m) of the statutes.

**INDEPENDENT UNITS ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES**

**BIOENERGY COUNCIL**

*Members:* **Michael Allen, Dan Bahr, Tim Clay, Jamie Derr, Mike Engel, Deborah Erwin, Dick Gorder, Jeff Landin, T.J. Morice, Pam Porter, Gary Radloff, Keith Reopelle, Bob Sather, Michael Troge, Tom Unke, 2 vacancies.** (All members are appointed by the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.)

Statutory References: Sections 15.137 (6) and 93.47.

Agency Responsibility: The Bioenergy Council is responsible for identifying voluntary best management practices for sustainable biomass and biofuels production.

The number of members of the council is not specified, and all are appointed by the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection to serve at the pleasure of the secretary. The council was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 401.

**LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD**

*Members:* **Caitlin Frederick** (secretary of administration designee), **Mary Anne Lowndes** (secretary of natural resources designee), **John Petty** (secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection designee); **Dale Hood, George MiKA, Dave Solin** (county land conservation committee members); **Erik Birschbach** (public member); **Robin Leary** (resident of city of 50,000 or more); **Mark E. Cupp** (representing governmental unit involved in river management); **Lynn Harrison** (farmer); vacancy (representing charitable natural resources organization). (All except *ex officio* members or designees are appointed by governor with senate consent.)

Advisory Members: **Jimmy Bramblett** (U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service); **Susan Butler, Brad Paff** (U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency); **Francisco Arriaga** (designated by dean of the UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences); **Ken Genskow** (appointed by director of UW-Extension); **Kurt Calkins, Jim VandenBrook** (designated by staff of county land conservation committees).

Statutory References: Sections 15.135 (4), 91.06, and 92.04.

Agency Responsibility: The 11-member Land and Water Conservation Board advises the secretary and department regarding soil and water conservation, animal waste management,
and farmland preservation. As part of its farmland preservation duties, the board certifies agricultural preservation plans and zoning. It reviews and makes recommendations to the department on county land and water resource plans, local livestock regulations, agricultural shoreland management ordinances, and funding allocations to county land conservation committees. The board also advises the UW System annually about needed research and education programs related to soil and water conservation. In addition, it assists the Department of Natural Resources with issues related to runoff from agriculture and other rural sources of pollution.

The board’s 3 county land conservation committee members are chosen by the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association, Inc., to serve 2-year terms. The 4 members who must fulfill statutorily defined categories serve staggered 4-year terms. The undesignated member serves a 2-year term. In addition, the board must invite the appointment of advisory members from agencies or organizations specified by statute.

The board was originally created as the Land Conservation Board by Chapter 346, Laws of 1981, which also abolished the Agricultural Lands Preservation Board and transferred its functions to the new board. Chapter 346 also transferred administration of the state’s soil and water conservation program from the UW System to the department but continued the university’s responsibility for soil and water conservation research and educational programs. 1993 Wisconsin Act 16 changed the name of the board to the Land and Water Conservation Board.

**LIVESTOCK FACILITY SITING REVIEW BOARD**

Members: **Lee Engelbrecht** (representing towns); **Andy Johnson** (representing counties); **Bob Selk** (representing environmental interests); **Ray Diederich** (representing livestock farming interests); **Fran Byerly, Jerome Gaska, Bob Topel** (public members). (All nominated by the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection and appointed with senate consent.)

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The 7-member Livestock Facility Siting Review Board may review certain decisions made by political subdivisions relating to the siting or expansion of livestock facilities, such as feedlots. An aggrieved person may challenge the decision of a city, village, town, or county government approving or disapproving the siting or expansion of a livestock facility by requesting the board to review the decision. If the board determines that a challenge is valid, it shall reverse the decision of the governmental body. The decision of the board is binding on the political subdivision, but either party may appeal the board’s decision in circuit court. All members are appointed for 5-year terms. The four members representing specific interests are selected from lists of names submitted by the Wisconsin Towns Association, Wisconsin Counties Association, environmental organizations, and statewide agricultural organizations, respectively. The board was created by 2003 Wisconsin Act 235 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.135 (1) and 93.90 of the statutes.

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Statutory References: Section 15.20; Chapter 46.

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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Children and Families provides or oversees county provision of various services to assist children, youth, and families, including services for children in need of protection or services for their families, adoption and foster care services, licensing of facilities that care for children, background investigations of child caregivers, and child abuse and neglect investigations. It administers the Wisconsin Works (W-2) program, including the child care subsidy program, child support enforcement and paternity establishment, and programs related to the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) income support.
program. The department works to ensure families have access to high quality and affordable early care and education and also administers the licensing and regulation of day care centers.

**Organization:** The department is administered by a secretary who is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the division administrators from outside the classified service.

**Unit Functions:** The Division of Early Care and Education is responsible for the child care licensing and quality improvement programs, administering the Wisconsin Shares and YoungStar programs, managing the Milwaukee Early Care Administration, and ensuring program integrity.

The Division of Family and Economic Security is responsible for the W-2, Transform Milwaukee Jobs, Transitional Jobs, child support, and refugee services programs.

The Division of Management Services oversees the department’s budget and performance management functions as well as its administrative support services, including financial, pur-
chasing and contract administration; information systems and technology; human resources, employment relations, affirmative action and civil rights compliance; facilities management; continuity of operations; and regional operations.

The Division of Safety and Permanence directly administers child welfare services in Milwaukee County, supervises county-administered child welfare services in the balance of the state, and manages related programs including prevention services and the Special Needs Adoption program.

**History:** By the time the federal government entered the field of public welfare during the Great Depression of the 1930s, Wisconsin had already pioneered a number of programs, including aid to children and pensions for the elderly (enacted in 1931). The Wisconsin Children’s Code, enacted by Chapter 439, Laws of 1929, was one of the most comprehensive in the nation. The state’s initial response to federal funding was to establish separate departments to administer social security funds and other public welfare programs. After several attempts at reorganization and a series of studies, the legislature established the State Department of Public Welfare in Chapter 435, Laws of 1939, to provide unified administration of all existing welfare functions. Public health and care for the aged were delegated to separate agencies.

The executive branch reorganization act of 1967 created the Department of Health and Social Services. The Board of Health and Social Services, appointed by the governor, directed the new...
department and appointed the departmental secretary to administer the agency, whose responsibilities included public welfare. In Chapter 39, Laws of 1975, the legislature abolished the board and replaced it with a secretary appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. That same law called for a reorganization of the department, which was completed by July 1977. The Department of Health and Social Services was renamed the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS), effective July 1, 1996.

The decades of the 1960s and 1970s saw an expansion of public welfare and health services at both the federal and state levels. Especially notable were programs for medical care for the needy and aged (Medical Assistance and Medicare), drug treatment programs, food stamps, and Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program (AFDC). DHFS was assigned additional duties during the 1980s in the areas of child support, child abuse and neglect, and welfare reform.

1995 Wisconsin Act 27 revised AFDC and transferred it and other income support programs including Medical Assistance eligibility and food stamps to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD). (Wisconsin Works, known as W-2, replaced AFDC in 1995 Wisconsin Act 289.) Existing welfare reform programs, including Job Opportunities and Basic Skills (JOBS), Learnfare, Parental Responsibility, and Work-Not-Welfare, were also transferred to DWD, along with child and spousal support, the Children First Program, Older American Community Service Employment, refugee assistance programs, and vocational rehabilitation functions. Health care facilities plan review was transferred from the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations to DHFS by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Act 27 also transferred laboratory certification to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and low-income energy assistance to the Department of Administration.

As a result of 1995 Wisconsin Act 303, DHFS assumed responsibility for direct administration and operation of Milwaukee County child welfare services. 2001 Wisconsin Act 16 transferred the Medical Assistance Eligibility Program and the Food Stamp Program to DHFS from the Department of Workforce Development.

2007 Wisconsin Act 20 created the Department of Children and Families (DCF), beginning July 1, 2008. It also changed the name of DHFS to the Department of Health Services and split the responsibilities of DHFS between the two departments. Act 20 transferred from DHFS to DCF the duty to provide or oversee county supervision of various services to assist children and families, including services for children in need of protection or services and their families, adoption services, licensing of facilities that provide care for children, child caregiver background investigations, and child abuse and neglect investigations. The act also transferred from DWD to DCF administration of Wisconsin Works, including the child care subsidy program, child support enforcement and paternity establishment, and programs related to temporary assistance for needy families (TANF).

**Statutory Council and Committee**

**Domestic Abuse, Council on:** REPRESENTATIVE JACQUE (designated by assembly speaker), REPRESENTATIVE SHANKLAND (designated by assembly minority leader), PATRICIA NINMANN (designated by senate majority leader), SENATOR TAYLOR (designated by senate minority leader); SHIRLEY ARMSTRONG, MAUREEN FUNK, L. KEVIN HAMBERGER, JILL KAROFSKY, MARIANA RODRIGUEZ, RENEE SCHULZ-STANGL, KARA SCHURMAN, SUSAN SIPPEL, vacancy (members not designated by legislative leadership are nominated and appointed by governor with senate consent.)

The 13-member Council on Domestic Abuse makes recommendations to the secretary on domestic abuse, reviews grant applications, advises the department and legislature on domestic abuse policy, and, in conjunction with the Judicial Conference, develops forms for filing petitions for domestic abuse restraining orders and injunctions. Members are appointed for staggered 3-year terms. Members designated by legislative leadership do not have to be legislators. The council was created by Chapter 111, Laws of 1979, and it was transferred from the Department of Health and Family Services to the Department of Children and Families by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.207 (16) and 49.165 (3) of the statutes.
Rate Regulation Advisory Committee: TONGENELL CAMPBELL (VIC Living Center); MARK ELLIOTT (Northwest Passage); MARIA McDERMOTT (Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin Community Services); LINDA HALL (Wisconsin Association of Family and Children Agencies); RON HAUSER (Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Inc.); RON HERMES (Department of Children and Families); KELSEY HILL (Department of Corrections); JEFF PEASE (Lad Lake); BRUCE KAMRANT (Milwaukee WrapAround); JAMES KANIA (Department of Children and Families, Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare); RACHEL KAROW (Family Works); TERESA KOVACH (Portage County Department of Human Services); BRENT RUEHL (Jefferson County Human Services); PATRICIA LANCOUR (Fond du Lac County Department of Social Services); KELLI KAMHOLZ (Positive Alternatives); JENNIFER VOTE (Marquette County Department of Health and Human Services); CHERI SALAVA (Rock County Human Services); JOHN SOLBERG (Rawhide, Inc.); DAVE NAGY (Genesee Lake School); RUTH WISEMAN (Chileda); DAWN WOODWARD (Columbia County Human Services); JANET WIMMER (Dodge County Department of Human Services); SHANE SCHUMACHER (Lafayette county Human Services) (appointed by secretary of children and families).

The secretary of children and families appoints members to a committee to advise the department regarding rates for child placing agencies, residential care centers and group homes. Committee membership includes purchasers; county departments of social services or human services; the Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare; tribes; consumers; and a statewide association of private, incorporated family and children’s social services agencies representing all groups of providers that are affected by the rate regulation process. The committee was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 335. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 49.343 (5) of the statutes.

INDEPENDENT UNITS ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION BOARD

Members: TERI ZYWICKI (public member), chairperson; JENNIFER NOYES (public member), vice chairperson; JON HOELTER (designated by governor), JILL KAROFSKY (designated by attorney general), LAURA RISKE (designated by secretary of health services), SHEILA BRIGGS (designated by state superintendent of public instruction), DEIDRE MORGAN (designated by secretary of corrections), SARA BUSCHMAN (designated by secretary of children and families); REPRESENTATIVE BALLWEG (representative to the assembly appointed by speaker), REPRESENTATIVE BILLINGS (representative to the assembly appointed by assembly minority leader), vacancy (senator appointed by president of senate), SENATOR LASSA (senator appointed by senate minority leader); KARI CHRISTENSON, BERNICE DAY, JEFFREY LAMONT, SANDRA MCCORMICK, JESUS MIRELES, KIMBERLY SIMAC, NOTESONG THOMPSON, vacancy (public members appointed by governor).

Executive Director: MICHELLE JENSEN GOODWIN, michelle.jensengoodwin@wisconsin.gov
Mailing Address: 110 East Main Street, Suite 810, Madison 53703-3316.
Telephone: 266-6871.
Fax: 266-3792.
Internet Address: wichildrentrustfund.org
Publications: Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) in Wisconsin; Child Sexual Abuse Prevention: Tips for Parents; Positive Parenting: Tips on Discipline; Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention materials.
Number of Employees: 6.00.
Total Budget 2013-15: $6,005,700.
Statutory References: Sections 15.205 (4) and 48.982.
Agency Responsibility: The 20-member Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board administers the Children’s Trust Fund. The board recommends policies to the legislature, governor, and state agencies to protect children and support prevention activities. The board supports,
funds, and evaluates evidence-informed and innovative strategies that are effective in helping Wisconsin communities prevent child maltreatment through culturally competent, family-centered, coordinated approaches to the delivery of support services that strengthen families. The board also implements consumer education and social marketing campaigns and provides education on prevention and positive parenting through printed materials and informational seminars. Funding is derived through charges on duplicate birth certificates, federal funds, and private contributions. In 2001, the board created a nonprofit corporation, the Celebrate Children Foundation with funds from the sale of the Celebrate Children special license plates.

The board’s 10 public members serve staggered 3-year terms. The board appoints the executive director and staff from the classified service. It was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 27, and it was transferred from the Department of Health and Family Services to the Department of Children and Families by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20.

MILWAUKEE CHILD WELFARE PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

Members: LINDA DAVIS (public member), chairperson; DEANNA ALEXANDER, WILLIE JOHNSON, JR., STEVE TAYLOR (Milwaukee County board members nominated by Milwaukee County Executive), REPRESENTATIVE RODRIGUEZ (representative to the assembly appointed by assembly speaker), REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON (representative to the assembly appointed by assembly minority leader), SENATOR DARLING (senator appointed by senate president), SENATOR HARRIS DODD (senator appointed by senate minority leader); COLLEEN ELLINGSON, SUSAN GADACZ, CHRISTINE HOLMES, KIM KAMPSCHROER, MALLORY O’BRIEN, TONY SHIELDS, B. THOMAS WANTA, 2 vacancies (public members); JOHN CHISHOLM (Milwaukee County district attorney or designee); MARY TRIGGIANO (presiding judge of the children’s division of the Milwaukee County circuit court). (All but legislators are appointed by governor.)

Contact Person: BECKY PRUDHOMME.

Mailing Address: 635 North 26th Street, Milwaukee 53233.

Telephone: (414) 343-5741.

Statutory References: Sections 15.207 (24) and 46.562.

Agency Responsibility: The 19-member Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council makes recommendations to the Department of Children and Families and the legislature regarding policies and plans to improve the child welfare system in Milwaukee County, including a neighborhood-based system for delivery of services. It may also recommend funding priorities and identify innovative public and private funding opportunities. The 15 nonlegislative members are appointed to 3-year terms, and the governor designates one of the public members as chairperson. At least 6 public members must be residents of Milwaukee County. The council was created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 303, and it was transferred from the Department of Health and Family Services to the Department of Children and Families by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20.
Detention Facilities, Office of: Kristi Dietz, director; 240-5052, kristi.dietz@;
Milwaukee: (414) 227-5199.

Victim Services and Programs, Office of: Stephanie Hove, director; 240-5888, stephanie.hove@

Prison Rape Elimination Act Director: Christine Preston, 240-5113, christine.preston@

Reentry Director: Silvia Jackson, 240-5015, silvia.jackson@

Special Operations, Office of: Steve Wierenga, director; 250-5055, steve.wierenga@

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7925, Madison 53707-7925.

Location: 3099 East Washington Avenue, Madison 53704.

Telephone: 240-5000.

Fax: 240-3300.

Internet Address: www.doc.wi.gov

Number of Employees: 10,211.02.

Total Budget 2013-15: $2,548,523,500.

Statutory References: Section 15.14; Chapter 301.

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John Paquin, assistant administrator; john.paquin@; Jim Schwochert, assistant administrator;
james.schwochert@; vacancy, security chief. 240-5105; 3099 East Washington Avenue,
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Health Services, Bureau of: James Greer, director; 240-5122, james.greer@; Fax: 240-3311.

Offender Classification and Movement, Bureau of: Mark Heise, director; 240-5800,
mark.heise@; Fax: 240-3350.

Program Service, Bureau of: vacancy, director; 240-5160; Fax: 240-3310.

Planning and Operations Unit: Tim Lemonds, director; 240-5180, tim.lemonds@; Fax: 240-
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PRISONS

Maximum Security:

Columbia Correctional Institution: Michael Dittmann, warden, P.O. Box 950, Portage
53901-0950, (608) 742-9100; Fax: (608) 742-9111.

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0661, (920) 324-5577; Fax: (920) 324-6297.

Green Bay Correctional Institution: Brian Foster, warden, P.O. Box 19033, Green Bay
54307-9033, (920) 432-4877; Fax: (920) 448-6545.

Waupun Correctional Institution: William Pollard, warden, P.O. Box 351, Waupun
53963-0351, (920) 324-5571; Fax: (920) 324-7250.

Wisconsin Secure Program Facility: Gary Boughton, warden, P.O. Box 1000, Boscobel
53805-0900, (608) 375-5656; Fax: (608) 375-5434.

Medium Security:

Fox Lake Correctional Institution: Randy Hepp, warden, P.O. Box 147, Fox Lake 53933-
0147, (920) 928-3151; Fax: (920) 928-6981.

Jackson Correctional Institution: Lizzie Tegels, warden, P.O. Box 232, Black River Falls
54615-0232, (715) 284-4550; Fax: (715) 284-7335.

Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution: Robert Humphreys, warden, P.O. Box 31,
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Oshkosh Correctional Institution: JUDY SMITH, warden, P.O. Box 3530, Oshkosh 54903-3530, (920) 231-4010; Fax: (920) 236-2615/2626.

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Racine Correctional Institution: PAUL KEMPER, warden, 2019 Wisconsin Street, Sturtevant 53177-1829, (262) 886-3214; Fax: (262) 886-3514.

Racine Youthful Offender Correctional Institution: PAMELA WALLACE, warden, P.O. Box 2200, Racine 53404-2713, (262) 638-1999; Fax: (262) 638-1777.

Redgranite Correctional Institution: MICHAEL MEISNER, warden, 1006 County Road EE, P.O. Box 900, Redgranite 54970-0925, (920) 566-2600; Fax: (920) 566-2610.

Stanley Correctional Institution: REED RICHARDSON, warden, 100 Corrections Drive, Stanley 54768-6500, (715) 644-2960; Fax: (715) 644-2966.

Minimum Security:

Chippewa Valley Correctional Treatment Facility: JEFFREY PUGH, warden, 2909 East Park Avenue, Chippewa Falls 54729, (715) 720-2850; Fax: (715) 720-2859.

Oakhill Correctional Institution: DAN WESTFIELD, warden, P.O. Box 140, Oregon 53575-0140, (608) 835-3101; Fax: (608) 835-9196.

Women:

Taycheedah Correctional Institution: DEANNE SCHaub, warden, 751 County Road K, P.O. Box 1947, Fond du Lac 54936-1947, (920) 929-3800; Fax: (920) 929-2946.

CENTER SYSTEM

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Black River Correctional Center: MATTHEW GERBER, superintendent, W6898 East Staffon Road, Route #5, Black River Falls 54615-6426, (715) 333-5681; Fax: (715) 333-2708.

John C. Burke Correctional Center: MARK RICE, superintendent, 900 South Madison Street, P.O. Box 900, Waupun 53963-0900, (920) 324-3460; Fax: (920) 324-4575.

Feltner Chaney Correctional Center: MICHAEL COCKROFT, superintendent, 2825 North 30th Street, Milwaukee 53210, (414) 874-1600; Fax: (414) 874-1695.

Drug Abuse Correctional Center: JEFF JAEGGER, superintendent, Kempster Hall/Winnebago Mental Health Institute, 1305 North Drive, P.O. Box 36, Winnebago 54985-0036, (920) 236-2700; Fax: (920) 426-5601.

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Marshall E. Sherrer Correctional Center: Gary Mitchell, superintendent, 1318 North 14th Street, Milwaukee 53205-2596, (414) 343-5000; Fax: (414) 343-5039.

Thompson Correctional Center: Wayne Olson, superintendent, 434 State Farm Road, Deerfield 53531-9562, (608) 423-3415; Fax: (608) 423-9852.

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Region 7: Sally Tess, chief, 141 Northwest Barstow Street, Room 126, Waukesha 53188-3756, (262) 521-5157; Fax: (262) 548-8697.

Region 8: Ron Kalmus, chief, 427 East Tower Drive, Suite 200, Wautoma 54982-6927, (920) 787-5500; Fax: (920) 787-5589.

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Eau Claire: 718 West Clairemont Avenue, Room 140, Eau Claire 54701-6143, (715) 836-6683.

Green Bay: 200 North Jefferson Street, Suite 134, Green Bay 54301, (920) 448-6548.

Madison: 2909 Landmark Place, Suite 104, Madison 53713, 288-3350.

Milwaukee: 4200 North Holton Street, Suite 120, Milwaukee 53212, (414) 229-0701.

Neenah: 1356 American Drive, Neenah 54956, (920) 729-3900.


Sheboygan: 3422 Wilgus Avenue, Sheboygan 53081, (920) 456-6548.

Sparta: 820 Industrial Drive, Suite 6, Sparta 54656, (608) 269-1921.

Sturtevant: 9531 Rayne Road, Suite 3, Sturtevant 53177-1833, (262) 884-3748.
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**Copper Lake School for Girls:** John Ourada, superintendent, W4380 Copper Lake Road, Irma 54442-9720, (715) 536-8386; Fax: (715) 536-8236, john.ourada@lincolnhills.wi.gov.

**Lincoln Hills School:** John Ourada, superintendent, W4380 Copper Lake Road, Irma 54442-9720, (715) 536-8386; Fax: (715) 536-8236, john.ourada@lincolnhills.wi.gov.

**The Grow Academy:** Nicole Laudolff, director, 4986 County Highway M, Oregon 53575, (608) 835-5701; Fax: (608) 835-7122.

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**Finance and Administrative Services, Bureau of:** Jerry Salvo, director, 240-5412, jerry.salvo@depcorrections.gov.

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**Agency Responsibility:** The Department of Corrections administers Wisconsin’s state prisons, community corrections, and juvenile corrections programs. It supervises the custody and discipline of all inmates in order to protect the public and seeks to rehabilitate offenders and re reintegrate them into society. The department currently operates 19 correctional facilities and 16 correctional centers for adults, and 2 facilities for juveniles. It also supervises offenders on probation, parole, and extended supervision; monitors compliance with deferred prosecution programs; and may make recommendations for pardons or commutations of sentence when requested by the governor. The department maintains the sex offender registry for those who are required by law to register. The department also monitors sex offenders who are required by law to be on lifetime GPS.

**Organization:** The department is headed by a secretary who is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the division administrators from outside the classified service.

**Unit Functions:** The Office of the Secretary ensures the overall mission of the department is achieved. Services and initiatives directly supervised by the Office of the Secretary include legal counsel, public information, reentry, and the Prison Rape Elimination Act. The reentry initiative is a crime prevention strategy designed to increase the number of offenders who live productive, law-abiding lives from admission to custody through supervision in the community.

The Office of Detention Facilities, in the office of the secretary, is responsible for the inspection and evaluation of all local detention facilities, including jails, houses of correction, secure juvenile detention centers, and municipal lockups. It provides technical assistance and training on various detention issues.

The Division of Adult Institutions supervises adult inmates in a variety of correctional settings. It assigns inmates to one of 6 security classifications, based on their records, backgrounds, and the risk they may pose to the public, correctional officers, and other inmates.

Security classifications include 2 levels each of maximum, medium, and minimum security. These levels determine how closely inmates are guarded, how restricted their movements are within the institution, and the programs in which they may participate. Although prisons are classified by the highest level of security for which the facility is built and administered, an individual facility may contain several security levels.

The prison program is designed to offer offenders opportunities to develop skills necessary to lead law-abiding lives upon release. Services include evaluation of an offender’s background
and needs and the provision of programs to meet those needs. Programs include academic and vocational education, alcohol and other drug abuse treatment, other clinical treatment, work, and religious observance. The division offers job training for inmates through Badger State Industries, which produces various items, including furniture, textiles and linens, license plates, and signs.

The division also administers 16 minimum security correctional centers across the state. Center staff work closely with probation and parole agents to assist the transition of inmates back into the community. Center programming includes basic education, alcohol and drug counseling, work experience, and work release.

The Division of Community Corrections supervises persons released on parole and extended supervision, as well as those placed on probation by the court. The supervision is community-based to strengthen family and community ties, encourage lawful behavior, and provide local treatment programs. Probation and parole agents hold offenders accountable for their behavior, provide direct services, and refer their clients to community service agencies. They also provide investigative services to the courts, the Division of Adult Institutions, and the Parole Commission to aid in sentencing, institutional programming, and parole planning. Under limited circumstances, agents supervise juveniles released to aftercare programs, persons conditionally released from mental health facilities, and sexually violent persons placed on supervised release. The division is also responsible for the sex offender registry and the electronic monitoring center.

The Division of Juvenile Corrections, created in Section 301.025, Wisconsin Statutes, by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, administers programs to treat and rehabilitate delinquent youth and protect the public. It operates the state’s juvenile corrections institutions and community corrections programs. Through its Juvenile Offender Review Program, the division determines whether offenders in the institutions are eligible for release, oversees the aftercare services of those who are released, and selects the participants for intensive surveillance under the Corrective Sanctions Program. The division also administers the Community Youth and Family Aids Program, which offers financial incentives to counties to divert juveniles from state institutions and into less restrictive community rehabilitation programs, and it awards grants to counties that participate in the Intensive Aftercare Program, which offers a wide range of social, educational, and employment assistance.

The Division of Management Services provides budgeting, research, data processing, personnel, and telecommunications services and oversees accounting, procurement, and facilities management.

History: In Chapter 288, Laws of 1851, the legislature established a commission to locate and supervise the building and administration of a state prison. The commissioners chose Waupun as the site and the facility was opened in 1852. Waupun housed both male and female offenders until 1933 when the Wisconsin Prison for Women opened in Taycheedah.

From 1853 to 1874 an elected state prison commissioner ran the prison. Beginning in 1874, the governor appointed three state prison commissioners to hire a warden and direct state prison operation. In 1881, prisons and other public welfare functions were placed under the supervision of the State Board of Supervision of Wisconsin Charitable, Reformatory and Penal Institutions, subsequently renamed the State Board of Control of the Wisconsin Reformatory, Charitable and Penal Institutions in 1891. Both adult and juvenile facilities came under the board’s control.

By 1939, the Division of Corrections within the newly created Department of Public Welfare had assumed supervision of prisons, juvenile institutions, and probation and parole. Under the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the division became part of the Department of Health and Social Services. The division was reorganized as a separate Department of Corrections in 1989 Wisconsin Act 31, but responsibility for juvenile offenders remained with the Department of Health and Social Services until 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 transferred juvenile corrections and related services to the Department of Corrections.

Waupun was the state’s only prison until 1898, when the Wisconsin State Reformatory for prisoners from 16 to 30 years-of-age opened at Green Bay. The age limitation was repealed in 1966 and the facility was renamed the Green Bay Correctional Institution in 1978. A separate

While the capacity of Wisconsin prisons had grown considerably since 1986, the number of inmates confined to adult institutions grew from just over 6,000 in 1989 to more than 15,000 in 1995. As a result, 1995 Wisconsin Act 344 authorized the department to contract with other states to house Wisconsin inmates. 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 authorized housing state inmates in private prisons in other states. By the end of 2002, out-of-state prisons housed more than 3,400 Wisconsin inmates. Near the end of 2004, fewer than 300 inmates were located out-of-state, due to new institutions, an increased number of beds at existing prisons, expanded contracting with county sheriffs to house inmates in county jails, and expanded noninstitutionalization options created in 2003 Wisconsin Act 33. By 2006, all out-of-state inmates were returned to Wisconsin facilities.

Wisconsin’s first juvenile institution for boys opened in 1860 at Waukesha and was replaced by Kettle Moraine at Plymouth in 1963. A second facility, Wisconsin School for Boys, which was subsequently renamed the Ethan Allen School, opened at Wales in 1959. Lincoln Hills School for Boys began operations in 1970. (It was opened to girls in 1976 and the school was renamed.) The first juvenile institution for girls was established in 1875 in Milwaukee as a private agency that received state aid. The Wisconsin School for Girls, later renamed the Oregon School for Girls, opened in 1931 and closed in 1976. Girls were then sent to Lincoln Hills. In response to concerns about overcrowding at Lincoln Hills and the need for treatment programs for girls, the legislature authorized a separate facility, which opened as Southern Oaks Girls School at Union Grove in 1994. Another juvenile facility was opened in Prairie du Chien in 1997, but it has been converted into a medium security adult prison. 2011 Wisconsin Act 32 closed the Ethan Allen School and the Southern Oaks Girls School, with the boys from Ethan Allen school transferred to Lincoln Hills and the girls from Southern Oaks transferred to a new Copper Lake Girls School located on the Lincoln Hill grounds.

Probation and parole were unknown in the early years of statehood. Criminal sentences were for definite periods of time and to be fully served. Until 1860, executive pardons were the only means for early release. Chapter 324, Laws of 1860, established early releases for good behavior, known as “good time”. Calculations of good time ended with the adoption of mandatory release dates for crimes committed after May 31, 1984. Parole was first enacted in 1889, but was apparently invalidated by the Wisconsin Supreme Court. New parole provisions were enacted in 1897 for the Green Bay Reformatory and for the Waupun State Prison in Chapter 110, Laws of 1907. That law allowed the State Board of Control to parole inmates with the governor’s approval, but the approval requirement was removed in 1947. The State Board of Control was also given supervisory responsibility for offenders placed on probation in 1909. Currently, the Parole Commission, created in 1989, has final authority in granting discretionary paroles. Under 1997 Wisconsin Act 283, a person who is convicted of a felony committed on or after December 31, 1999, and sentenced to prison must serve a specified time in prison followed by a specified period of extended supervision in the community. Persons given this bifurcated sentence were not eligible for parole. The Earned Release Review Commission was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28. It authorized the commission to consider eligible inmates to be considered for release from incarceration to extended supervision depending on the nature of the crime, the time it was committed, and other factors such as the health or age of the inmate.
Most incarcerated prisoners were able to earn “positive adjustment time” (sometimes referred to as “good time”) for complying with prison regulations or performing assigned duties. 2011 Wisconsin Act 38 again renamed the body the Parole Commission and substantially repealed most early release provisions.

Statutory Commission

Parole Commission: Dean Stensberg (appointed by governor with senate consent), chairperson; Emily Davidson; Doug Drankiewicz; William Francis; Danielle LaCost; Steven Landreman, 2 vacancies (appointed by chairperson from classified service).

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The 8-member Parole Commission conducts regularly scheduled interviews to consider the parole of eligible inmates confined in a state correctional institution, a contracted county jail facility, or a county house of corrections or inmates transferred to mental health institutions.

The governor appoints the commission’s chairperson, with senate consent, who serves at the pleasure of the governor for a 2-year term. The other members, who shall have knowledge of or experience in corrections or criminal justice, are appointed by the chairperson from the classified service.

The commission’s statutory predecessor, the Parole Board, was created by Chapter 221, Laws of 1979, to advise the secretary of health and social services, and its members were appointed by the secretary. The Parole Commission was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 107. The Earned Release Review Commission was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28. It authorized the commission to consider eligible inmates to be considered for release from incarceration to extended supervision depending on the nature of the crime, the time it was committed, and other factors such as the health or age of the inmate. Most incarcerated prisoners were able to earn “positive adjustment time” (sometimes referred to as “good time”) for complying with prison regulations or performing assigned duties. 2011 Wisconsin Act 38 again renamed the body the Parole Commission and substantially repealed most early release provisions. The commission’s composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.145 (1), 17.07 (3m), 304.01, and 304.06 of the statutes.

Independent Units Attached for Budgeting, Program Coordination, and Related Management Functions by Section 15.03 of the Statutes

INTERSTATE ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION BOARD

Members: Tracy Hudrlik (compact administrator); vacancy (legislative branch representative); Michael Bohren (judicial branch representative); David Rabe (executive branch representative); Stephanie R. Hove (victims’ group representative). (All are appointed by governor).

Statutory References: Sections 15.145 (3) and 304.16 (4).

Agency Responsibility: The 5-member Interstate Adult Offender Supervision Board officially appoints the Wisconsin representative to the national commission. The board advises the department on its participation in the compact and on the operation of the compact within this state. The representatives serve 4-year terms while the compact administrator serves at the pleasure of the governor. It was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 96.

COUNCIL ON OFFENDER REENTRY

Members: Silvia Jackson (reentry director), chairperson; Scott Legwold (secretary of corrections designee); Scott Jansen (secretary of workforce development designee); Glenn Larson (secretary of health services designee); Fredi Bove (secretary of children and families designee); Ann Perry (secretary of transportation designee); Paul Connell (attorney general designee); Dean Stensberg (chairperson of the Parole Commission or designee); Carolyn Stanford Taylor (state superintendent of public instruction designee); Lisa Stark (current or former judge appointed by director of state courts); Jerome Dillard (current or
former incarcerated convict appointed by the secretary of corrections); **Mark Podoll** (law enforcement officer); vacancy (representative of a crime victim’s rights or crime victim services organization); vacancy (representative of a faith-based organization involved with community reintegration of offenders); **Jason Witt** (representative of a county department of human services); vacancy (tribal representative); vacancy (representative of a nonprofit organization involved with community reintegration that is not a faith-based organization); **John Chisholm** (a district attorney); **Mike Tobin** (representative of the office of the state public defender); vacancy (an academic professional in the field of criminal justice); **Chuck Brendel** (a representative of the Wisconsin Technical College System) (all except ex officio members appointed by governor).

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.145 (5) and 301.095.

**Agency Responsibility:** All except ex officio members, or as otherwise provided, of the 21-member Council on Offender Reentry are appointed by the governor for 3-year terms to coordinate reentry initiatives across the state, including promotion and collaboration of training opportunities, funding sources, and information sharing. The board was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28.

**PRISON INDUSTRIES BOARD**

**Members:** **James Jackson**, **Bill G. Smith**, **Bernie Spiegel** (private business and industry representatives); **Jose Carillo**, 2 vacancies (private labor organization representatives); **Tracey Iseelee** (Technical College System representative); **Edward Wall** (Department of Corrections representative); **Helen McCain** (Department of Administration representative). (All are appointed by governor.)

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.145 (2) and 303.015.

**Agency Responsibility:** The 9-member Prison Industries Board advises Prison Industries. It develops a plan for the manufacturing and marketing of prison industry products, the provision of prison industry services, and research and development activities. No prison industry may be established or permanently closed without board approval. The board reviews the department’s budget request for Prison Industries and may make recommendations to the governor for changes. The board gives prior approval for Prison Industries purchases exceeding $250,000. Members are appointed for 4-year terms. It was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 27.

**STATE BOARD FOR INTERSTATE JUVENILE SUPERVISION**

**Members:** **Shelley Hagan** (administrator of Interstate Compact for Juveniles); vacancy (representative of legislative branch); **T. Christopher Dee** (representative of judicial branch); **Michelle Havas** (representative of executive branch); **Tanya Nelson** (representative of victims groups) (all appointed by governor).

**Statutory References:** Sections 15.145 (4) and 938.999 (9).

**Agency Responsibility:** The 5 members of the State Board for Interstate Juvenile Supervision are appointed by the governor for 3-year terms to advise and exercise oversight and advocacy concerning the state’s participation in activities of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles and may exercise any other statutorily authorized duties including the development of policy concerning the operations and procedures of the compact within the state. The board was created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 234.

**EDUCATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS BOARD**

**Board Members:** **Rolf Wegenke** (private schools representative), chairperson; **Tony Evers** (superintendent of public instruction), vice chairperson; **Senators Harris Dodd, Olsen; Representatives** 2 vacancies; **Scott Neitzel** (secretary of administration), **Ray Cross** (president, UW System), **Morna Foy** (director, Technical College System), **Richard Leppings**, **Eileen Littig** (public members); **Karen Schroeder** (public schools representative), **Regina Millner** (appointed by UW System Board of Regents), **Dean Dieterich** (president, Wisconsin Public Radio Association), **Diane Everson** (educational TV coverage area representative),
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Number of Employees: 56.68.

Statutory References: Section 15.57; Chapter 39, Subchapter I.

Agency Responsibility: The Educational Communications Board oversees the statewide public broadcasting system, its instructional telecommunications programming, and public service media for the cultural and educational needs of the state’s citizens. The board plans, constructs, and operates the state’s public radio and television networks, and it is the licensee for the state’s 18 public radio stations and 5 public television stations. The board operates the Emergency Alert System, the Amber Alert System, National Weather Service Transmitters, a telecommunication operations center, and satellite facilities.

Operated by the Educational Communications Board’s Division of Education, the Wisconsin Media Lab provides a variety of media for Wisconsin teachers and students. (Educational Communications Board)
The board shares responsibility for public broadcasting with the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents. Programming is produced through UW facilities or acquired from national, regional, state, and local sources. The board also is affiliated with public television stations licensed to Milwaukee Area Technical College, television station WSDE in Duluth, and several public radio stations.

Educational services include selection, acquisition or production, implementation, and evaluation of K-12 educational media and accompanying materials in cooperation with teachers in public and private schools, the Cooperative Educational Service Agencies, the Department of Public Instruction, the Technical College System, and the UW System.

Organization: The board includes 16 members. Those appointed by the governor, the UW Board of Regents, and the Technical College System Board serve 4-year terms. Legislative members must represent the majority and minority party in each house. The board appoints an executive director from outside the classified service. Division administrators and other agency staff are appointed by the executive director.

Unit Functions: The Division of Education operates the Wisconsin Media Lab which provides a wide variety of K-12 educational media for use by Wisconsin educators and students. Programming is delivered to the state online and via Public Television.

The Division of Engineering Services develops, operates, and maintains the statewide telecommunication systems used to receive and deliver instructional, educational, and cultural programming. It coordinates broadcasting of the Emergency Alert System, the National Weather Service, and the Amber Alert System.

The Division of Public Radio operates the statewide Wisconsin Public Radio service in partnership with the UW Board of Regents (through UW-Colleges and UW-Extension). Wisconsin Public Radio service includes three networks: the News and Classical Music Network; the Wisconsin Ideas Network; and an HD-2 Classical Network – all of which offer national, regional, and local programming.

The Division of Public Television operates the statewide Wisconsin Public Television (WPT) service in partnership with the UW Board of Regents (through UW-Colleges and UW-Extension). The service includes three broadcast channels: WPT’s flagship station features programming from the Public Broadcasting System (PBS), children’s educational programs, and locally produced content; The Wisconsin Channel features programming about state issues and state history, university lectures, new local programs, and performances by Wisconsin artists; and Create, an educational channel for cooking, arts and crafts, gardening, home improvement, and travel from PBS.

History: Wisconsin’s history in educational broadcasting dates back to the oldest public radio station in the nation. The University of Wisconsin’s research in “wireless” communication led to the beginning of scheduled radio broadcasting in 1917 on Station 9XM, which was renamed WHA-AM in 1922. Wisconsin made a commitment to statewide educational broadcasting in 1945. Chapter 570, Laws of 1945, created the State Radio Council to plan, produce, and transmit educational, cultural, and service programs over a statewide FM radio network. Over the next two decades, the council constructed and activated 10 radio transmitters. In Chapter 360, Laws of 1953, the council also assumed responsibility for research in educational television.

The 1967 executive branch reorganization renamed the council the Educational Broadcasting Board, created the Educational Broadcasting Division under its supervision, and attached the board and the division to the Coordinating Council for Higher Education. The name was changed to the Educational Communications Board in Chapter 276, Laws of 1969. With the demise of the Coordinating Council, the Educational Communications Board became an independent agency in Chapter 100, Laws of 1971. In 1971, the board began to extend educational television to the entire state, and it had constructed 5 UHF television stations by 1977. Signal translator facilities erected in the 1980s extended service to areas of the state beyond the reach of regular transmitters. Most recently, the Educational Communications Board has begun to offer HD Radio services and expanded television programming through WPT Create and WPT The Wisconsin Channel. The board has worked cooperatively with the UW Board of Regents to enhance public broadcasting service for the state’s citizens.
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JON LITSCHER (governor’s designee on Group Insurance Board); MICHAEL LANGVEL, ROBERTA
RASMUS, DAVID WILTGEM (Teachers Retirement Board members); LEILANI PAUL (Technical
College or educational support personnel employee); VICTOR SHIER (appointed by governor
with senate confirmation); MARY VON RUDEN, vacancy (Wisconsin Retirement Board
members). (Board representatives are appointed by their respective boards; the annuitant
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Publications: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report; Employer Bulletin; WRS News; and
various employer manuals and employee brochures on the Wisconsin Retirement System, the
group insurance plans, the deferred compensation program, and the employee reimbursement
accounts program.
Number of Employees: 266.20.
Statutory References: Sections 15.16 and Chapter 40.
Agency Responsibility: The Department of Employee Trust Funds administers various em-
ployee benefit programs, including the retirement, group insurance, disability, and deferred
compensation programs and employee reimbursement and commuter benefits accounts. It
serves all state employees and teachers and most municipal employees, with the notable excep-
tions of employees of the City and County of Milwaukee.
Organization: The 13-member Employee Trust Funds Board provides direction and super-
vision to the department and the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS). Board membership
includes 2 ex officio members and 11 members who are appointed or elected for 4-year terms to
represent employers, members, employees, taxpayers, and annuitants. The member appointed by the governor to represent taxpayers must have specific professional experience and cannot be a WRS participant. The board approves all administrative rules; authorizes payment of all retirement annuities, except those for disability; and hears appeals of benefit determinations. It appoints the secretary from outside the classified service, and the secretary selects the deputy and assistant deputy from outside the service. Division and office heads are appointed from within the classified service by the secretary.

**Unit Functions:** The Division of Management Services provides support services for human resources, payroll, information technology, facility management, capital budget and inventory, records management, mail and supplies, library, and telecommunications.

The Division of Retirement Services develops and implements retirement policies and services for the members of the retirement system, including calculation and payment of retirement, disability, and related benefits, and the deferred compensation program.

The Office of Strategic Health Policy is responsible for policy development and implementation of health, life, long-term care insurance, and the employee reimbursement and commuter benefit accounts.

The Division of Trust Finance oversees the tax compliance retiree payroll and accounts receivable functions including retirement and health care accounting.

**History:** The 1891 Legislature initiated pension coverage for local government employees when it required Milwaukee to create a pension fund for retired and disabled police and fire fighters in Chapter 287. Sixteen years later, the legislature extended pension coverage to protective service employees of smaller cities through Chapter 671, Laws of 1907. The 1909 Legislature authorized a pension system for City of Milwaukee teachers in Chapter 510; and Chapter 323, Laws of 1911, created a retirement system for those school districts throughout the rest of the state that wished to enroll their teachers. With enactment of Chapter 459, Laws of 1921, Wisconsin established a mandatory, joint contributory, statewide teachers’ pension system, covering virtually all teachers in public schools (outside of Milwaukee), normal schools, and the University of Wisconsin.

The legislature first provided retirement plans for general municipal employees outside of Milwaukee in Chapter 175, Laws of 1943. In the same session, a retirement system was created for general employees by Chapter 176, Laws of 1943. Local fire and police pension funds were closed to new members by Chapter 206, Laws of 1947, and these employees have since been covered with the general employees. Chapter 60, Laws of 1951, created the Public Employees Social Security Fund, making Wisconsin the first state in the nation to permit some state and local government employees to be covered by Social Security.

Chapter 211, Laws of 1959, created group life and group health insurance programs for state employees, a group life insurance program for municipal employees, and the Group Insurance Board to monitor the administration of the programs. The 1967 executive branch reorganization created the Department of Employee Trust Funds to administer the various retirement funds, and the Group Insurance Board was attached to it.

Chapter 280, Laws of 1975, initiated the merger of the existing, separate retirement funds that covered all publicly employed teachers in the state and all state and local public employees, except employees of the City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee County who have their own systems. The legislature transferred local police and fire pension funds to the overall general employee system in Chapter 182, Laws of 1977. The implementation of the merged Wisconsin Retirement System was completed, effective January 1, 1982, by Chapter 96, Laws of 1981.

**Statutory Boards**

**Deferred Compensation Board:** Edward D. Main, chairperson; John Nelson, vice chairperson; Gail Hanson, secretary; Michael Gracz, Arthur Zimmerman (appointed by governor with senate consent).

The 5-member Deferred Compensation Board establishes rules for offering deferred compensation plans to state and local employees and contracts with deferred compensation plan providers. Its members are appointed for 4-year terms. The board was created by 1989 Wisconsin
Act 31, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.165 (4) and 40.80 of the statutes.

**Group Insurance Board:** Jon Litscher (designated by governor), chairperson; Bonnie Cyganek (designated by attorney general), vice chairperson; Michael Farrell, secretary; Danielle Carne (designated by Director of the Office of State Employment Relations); Terri Carlson (WRS-insured nonteacher participant); Herschel Day (WRS-insured teacher participant); Charles Grapentine (retired WRS-insured participant); Michael Heifetz (designated by secretary of administration); Theodore Neitzke (WRS-insured local government participant); Daniel Schwartz (designated by commissioner of insurance); Nancy Thompson (chief executive or member of local government participating in WRS). (All except ex officio members are appointed by governor.)

The 11-member Group Insurance Board oversees the group health, life, income continuation, and other insurance programs offered to state employees, covered local employees, and retirees. The board’s 5 appointed members serve 2-year terms. The board was created by Chapter 211, Laws of 1959, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.165 (2) and 40.03 (6) of the statutes.

**Teachers Retirement Board:** Robin Starck (public school teacher), chairperson; R. Thomas Pedersen (technical college teacher), vice chairperson; Brent Grochowski (public school teacher), secretary; Jon Joslin, Patrick Phair, David Wiltgen, Jeffrey Zore (public school teachers); Craig Hubbell (public school administrator appointed by governor); Sandra Claflin-Chalton, Susan Harrison (UW System teacher representatives appointed by governor); Craig Hemberg (school board member appointed by governor); Dennis Murphy (teacher annuitant); Kim Schroeder (Milwaukee teacher). (Members not appointed by governor are elected by their constituent groups.)

The 13-member Teachers Retirement Board advises the Employee Trust Funds Board about retirement matters related to teachers, recommends and approves or rejects administrative rules, authorizes payment of disability annuities for teachers, and hears appeals of staff determinations of disability. Board members serve staggered 5-year terms; the 2 UW System representatives may not be from the same campus. The board was created by Chapter 204, Laws of 1953, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.165 (3) (a) and 40.03 (7) of the statutes.

**Wisconsin Retirement Board:** Wayne E. Koessl (county or town governing body member), chairperson; John David (city or village chief executive or governing board member), vice chairperson; Mary Von Ruden (participating employee of local employer other than city or village), secretary; Jamie Aulik (county clerk or deputy); Ted Nickel (commissioner of insurance); Herbert Stinski (participating city or village finance officer); Steven Wilding (participating city or village employee); vacancy (not a participant or beneficiary of the WRS); vacancy (participating state employee). (All, except insurance commissioner or designee, are appointed by governor.)

The 9-member Wisconsin Retirement Board advises the Employee Trust Funds Board about retirement matters related to state and local general and protective employees and performs the same functions for these employees as the Teachers Retirement Board does for teachers. The board’s appointed members serve staggered 5-year terms, and the municipal official and county board member are nominated by their respective statewide associations. The board was created by Chapter 96, Laws of 1981, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.165 (3) (b) and 40.03 (8) of the statutes.

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Total Budget 2013-15: $35,787,600.

Statutory Reference: Section 15.18.

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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Financial Institutions regulates state-chartered banks, savings and loans associations, and savings banks, as well as various operations of the securities industry. It examines and files charters and other documents of businesses and organizations and registers and regulates the mortgage banking industry and other financial service providers. It oversees Uniform Commercial Code filings. It administers the Wisconsin Consumer Act and registers merchants who extend credit. It also issues notary public commissions and registers trademarks, trade names, and brands. The department is self-supporting through program revenue derived from fees and assessments paid by regulated entities and individuals.

Organization: The department is administered by a secretary, who is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the administrators for 3 of the 4 divisions from outside the classified service and the administrator of the Division of Administrative Services and Technology from the classified service.
Unit Functions: The Office of Financial Literacy (OFL), in the Office of the Secretary, promotes financial literacy to the public as a vital life skill and provides information to the public on matters of personal finance and investor protection. It emphasizes financial and economic literacy for Wisconsin’s youth and encourages consumers to take advantage of the services offered by financial institutions.

The Division of Administrative Services and Technology provides support services to the department through its administration of the agency’s budget, personnel, procurement, and information technology services.

The Division of Banking, created in Section 15.183 (1), Wisconsin Statutes, by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, is advised by the Banking Review Board. It regulates and supervises state-chartered banks and consumer financial service industries under statutory Chapters 220 through 224. In addition to chartering and regularly examining state banks, the division licenses loan companies, mortgage bankers, mortgage brokers, loan originators, collection agencies, community currency exchanges, sales finance companies, adjustment service companies, sellers of checks, insurance premium finance companies, credit services organizations, professional employer organizations, charitable organizations, and charitable fund-raisers. It also regulates auto dealers’ installment sales contracts. The division investigates applications for expanded banking powers, new financial products, and interstate bank acquisitions and mergers. It may conduct joint examinations with Federal Reserve System examiners and with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
With Banking Review Board approval, the administrator may establish uniform rules for savings programs and fiduciary operations.

The division supervises state-chartered savings and loan associations and savings banks and enforces the laws governing them under statutory Chapters 214 and 215 with the advice of the Savings Institutions Review Board. It works to resolve consumer complaints and reviews and approves applications for acquisitions, new branches and other offices, and the organization of mutual holding companies. It may rule on interstate mergers or acquisitions. It also conducts joint examinations of associations with the federal Office of Thrift Institutions and may examine savings banks with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The division administers the Wisconsin Consumer Act, which resolves consumer complaints and advises consumers and lenders regarding their rights and responsibilities under consumer law.

The **Division of Corporate and Consumer Services** is responsible for examining and filing business records for corporations and other organizations. It examines charters, documents that affect mergers, consolidations, and dissolutions, and reviews the annual reports of various businesses, including partnerships, corporations, limited liability companies, cooperatives, and foreign corporations. It also examines and files documents under the Uniform Commercial Code, including statements of business indebtedness, consignments, terminations, and financing statements and maintains the statewide Uniform Commercial Code lien system. The division prepares certified copies of the records in its custody and responds to inquiries about corporations and other business entities and organizations for which it has records. It also issues notary public commissions and registers trademarks, trade names, and brands. The division is also responsible for the issuance of state video franchise authority certificates.

The **Division of Securities**, created in Section 15.183 (3), Wisconsin Statutes, by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, regulates the sale of investment securities and franchises under statutory Chapters 551, 552, and 553. It examines and registers the offerings and may bar them from registration in this state. The division registers and monitors the activities of broker-dealers, securities agents, investment advisers, and investment adviser representatives. It conducts audits and inspections, and investigates complaints. When violations are detected, it initiates the appropriate administrative, injunctive, or criminal action. The division also regulates corporate takeovers.

**History:** The Department of Financial Institutions (DFI) was created in 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. The act reorganized formerly independent offices of the commissioners of banking, savings and loan, and securities as divisions and transferred them to the department. In addition, Act 27 transferred the responsibility for business organization filings and the Uniform Commercial Code lien information filings to the department from the Office of the Secretary of State. The same act transferred the regulation of mortgage bankers and loan originators and solicitors to the department from the Department of Regulation and Licensing. 2007 Wisconsin Act 42 replaced cable television franchises granted by municipalities with statewide video service franchises granted by DFI. 2011 Wisconsin Act 32 transferred to DFI the notary and trademark functions formerly performed by the Office of the Secretary of State. The Mortgage Loan Originator Council was repealed by 2011 Wisconsin Act 233. 2013 Wisconsin Act 20 transferred to the department, from the Department of Safety and Professional Services, the regulation of charitable organization, fund-raising counsel, professional fund-raisers, professional employer organizations, and professional employer groups.

**Banking.** For the first five years of statehood, no regular commercial banks existed in Wisconsin. Prior to amendment in 1902, Article XI of the Wisconsin Constitution required that any banking law must be approved in a statewide referendum. Bank regulation began when the legislature created the Office of Bank Comptroller in Chapter 479, Laws of 1852, and the voters approved the law in 1853. That law allowed any group meeting state requirements to go into the banking business. It was designed primarily to regulate the issuance of bank notes. Bank supervision was transferred to the state treasurer in 1868 and remained with that office until 1903.

The 1902 constitutional amendment gave the legislature the power to enact general banking laws without a referendum. In Chapter 234, Laws of 1903, the legislature created the State Banking Department. The department also supervised savings and loan associations until 1947 and credit unions until 1972. Under the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the department
continued as an independent agency and was renamed the Office of the Commissioner of Banking. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 reorganized the agency as the Division of Banking and transferred it to the Department of Financial Institutions.

**Savings Institutions.** Attempts to register and examine savings and loan associations date back to the 1850s in Wisconsin, but there are no records of any associations incorporating under these laws. In 1876, the legislature passed Chapter 384 to require that savings banks and savings societies register with the county registers of deeds and the secretary of state. Voters approved the law in November 1876. Several associations incorporated shortly afterward. Beginning with Chapter 368, Laws of 1897, building and loan associations were regulated by the bank examiner in the state treasurer’s office.

In 1903, responsibility for regulating savings and loan associations was transferred to the State Banking Department. Chapter 411, Laws of 1947, moved regulation from that department to the newly created Savings and Loan Association Department. The law also created the fore-runner of the current Savings Institutions Review Board. In 1967, the executive branch reorganization act renamed the department the Office of the Commissioner of Savings and Loan. In 1991 Wisconsin Act 221, the office assumed responsibility for chartering, regulating, and examining savings banks. The same law created the Savings Bank Review Board. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 reorganized the agency as the Division of Savings and Loan and transferred it to the Department of Financial Institutions. It was renamed the Division of Savings Institutions in 1999 and repealed in 2003 Wisconsin Act 33. Its duties were transferred to the Division of Banking.

**Securities.** Laws enacted by states to protect the public against securities fraud are commonly referred to as “blue sky” laws. (The term “blue sky” is believed to have originated when a judge ruled that a particular stock had about the same value as a patch of blue sky.) Wisconsin’s first “blue sky” law was Chapter 756, Laws of 1913. This law was revised successively in 1919, 1933, 1941, 1969, and 2007. The current Wisconsin Uniform Securities Law, effective January 1, 2009, was enacted as 2007 Wisconsin Act 196, and it is based upon the Uniform Securities Act of 2002. From 1913 until 1939, the regulation of securities came under the jurisdiction first of the Railroad Commission (and its successor the Public Service Commission) and later the State Banking Department. The Department of Securities was created by Chapter 68, Laws of 1939, to regulate the sale of stocks, bonds, and other forms of business ownership or debt. It was renamed the Office of the Commissioner of Securities by Chapter 75, Laws of 1967. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, reorganized the agency as the Division of Securities and transferred it to the Department of Financial Institutions.

**Statutory Boards**

**Banking Review Board:** DEBRA R. LINS, chairperson; DOUGLAS L. FARMER, AMELIA E. MACARENO, THOMAS E. SHTZ, RALPH J. TENUTA (appointed by governor with senate consent).

The 5-member Banking Review Board advises the Division of Banking regarding the banking industry in Wisconsin and reviews the division’s administrative actions. Members are appointed for staggered 5-year terms, and at least 3 of them must each have at least 5 years’ banking experience. No member may act in any matter involving a bank of which the member is an officer, director, or stockholder or to which that person is indebted. The board was created by Chapter 10, Laws of Special Session 1931-32, under the State Banking Department (renamed the Office of the Commissioner of Banking in 1967), and transferred to the Department of Financial Institutions by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.185 (1) and 220.035 of the statutes.

**Savings Institutions Review Board:** PAUL C. ADAMSKI, chairperson; GEORGE E. GARY, ROBERT W. HOLMES, JAMES K. OLSON, CHARLES SCHMALZ (appointed by governor with senate consent).

The 5-member Savings Institutions Review Board advises the Division of Banking on matters impacting savings and loan associations and savings banks in Wisconsin. It reviews division orders and determinations, hears appeals on certain actions taken by the division, and may act on any matter submitted by the division. Members serve 5-year terms. At least 3 of them must each have a minimum of 5 years’ experience in the savings and loan or savings bank business in this state. Chapter 441, Laws of 1974, created the board as the Savings and Loan Review Board in the Savings and Loan Association Department (renamed the Office of the Commis-
sioner of Savings and Loan in 1967) and 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 transferred it to the Department of Financial Institutions. In 2003, Act 33 renamed the board and eliminated the Savings Bank Review Board. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.185 (3) and 215.04 of the statutes.

INDEPENDENT UNIT ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

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Publications: Quarterly Credit Union Bulletin.

Statutory References: Section 15.185 (7) (a); Chapter 186.

Agency Responsibility: The Office of Credit Unions regulates credit unions chartered to do business in Wisconsin. It charters new credit unions, examines credit union records and assets, consents to consolidation of credit unions within the state and, in cooperation with similar agencies in neighboring states, approves interstate mergers. If a credit union is not in compliance with state law, the office may remove its officers, suspend operations, or take possession of the credit union’s business. The director is appointed by the governor and must have at least 3 years’ experience either in the operation of a credit union or in a credit union supervisory agency or a combination of both. All personnel and budget requests by the office must be processed and forwarded without change by the department, unless the office requests or concurs in a change.

History: Regulation of credit unions began in 1913 (Chapter 733) when the legislature passed a law that required “cooperative credit associations” to obtain their charters from the State Banking Department. That law was repealed by Chapter 334, Laws of 1923, which required the department to charter and regulate “credit unions”. The Office of the Commissioner of Credit Unions was created in Chapter 193, Laws of 1971, as a separate agency by removing the credit union division and its advisory board from the Office of the Commissioner of Banking and giving it expanded powers. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 created the Office of Credit Unions and attached it to the Department of Financial Institutions under Section 15.03, Wisconsin Statutes.

Statutory Board

Credit Union Review Board: J. DAVID CHRISTENSON, LISA GRECO, BRIAN PRUNTY, COLLEEN WOGGON, DAN WOLLIN (appointed by governor with senate consent).

The 5-member Credit Union Review Board advises the Office of Credit Unions regarding credit unions in Wisconsin. It reviews rules and regulations issued by the office, acts as an appeals board for persons aggrieved by any act of the office, and may require the office to submit its actions for approval. Members serve staggered 5-year terms and each must have at least 5 years’ experience in credit union operations. The board was created within the State Banking Department by Chapter 411, Laws of 1947, then transferred to the Office of the Commissioner of Credit Unions in 1971, and later made part of the Office of Credit Unions in 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.185 (7) (b) and 186.015 of the statutes.
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Number of Employees: 48.75.

Total Budget 2013-15: $14,007,000.

Statutory References: Chapters 5-12, Subchapter III of Chapter 13, and Subchapter III of Chapter 19.

Agency Responsibility: The Government Accountability Board (GAB) administers the state’s campaign finance, elections, ethics, and lobby laws, investigates alleged violations of those laws, and brings civil actions to collect forfeitures. It may subpoena records and notify the district attorney or attorney general of any grounds for civil or criminal prosecution. The GAB issues advisory opinions to officials, local governments, and others asking about their own conduct; promulgates administrative rules; and conducts training for local election officials, campaign and lobby registrants, and state public officials.

The GAB maintains the campaign finance registration and reporting system which limits and requires full disclosure of contributions and disbursements made on behalf of every candidate for public office. The statutes specify which candidates, individuals, political parties, and groups must register and file detailed financial statements. Registration and reporting are required for nonresident committees that make contributions and for all individuals who make independent disbursements. The GAB administers the electronic filing of campaign finance reports of all registrants that receive contributions in excess of $20,000 in a campaign period for candidate committees or in excess of $20,000 in a biennium for other registrants.

The GAB administers the state elections code along with implementing the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 that establishes certain election requirements regarding the conduct of federal elections in the state. The director and general counsel serves as the chief state election official. The GAB is responsible for the design and maintenance of the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS) which is required to be used by all municipalities in the state to administer federal, state, and local elections.

The GAB also has compliance review authority over local election officials’ actions relating to ballot preparation, candidate nomination, voter qualifications, recall, conduct of elections, and election administration. The GAB holds information and training meetings with local election officials to promote uniform election procedures. The GAB is responsible for the training and certification of all municipal clerks and chief election inspectors in the state.

The GAB administers the Code of Ethics for State Public Officials and Wisconsin’s lobbying law. The intent of the ethics code is to forbid a state official from using a public position to obtain anything of value for the personal benefit of the official, the official’s family, or the official’s private business. Wisconsin’s lobbying law prohibits lobbyists and the organizations that employ them from furnishing anything of value to a state official or employee except in a
limited number of well-defined circumstances. The GAB collects and makes available information about the financial interests of state officials, candidates, and nominees; and compiles and disseminates on its Web sites information about organizations’ efforts to influence legislation and administrative rules as well as the time and money spent by those organizations in lobbying activities.

**Organization:** The 6 members of the board, each of whom must have formerly been elected to and served as a judge of a court of record in Wisconsin, are appointed to 6-year terms by the governor from nominations submitted by a nominating committee called the Governmental Accountability Candidate Committee. The committee consists of one court of appeals judge from each of the court of appeals districts, chosen by lot by the chief justice of the supreme court in the presence of the other justices.

Board members may not be involved in partisan political activities and may not hold another state office or position except that of reserve judge of a circuit court or court of appeals. The board appoints a legal counsel outside the classified service as agency head to perform legal and administrative functions for the board. The board includes an Elections Division and an Ethics and Accountability Division, each of which is under the direction and supervision of an administrator appointed by the board. The board designates an employee to serve as the chief election officer of the state.

**History:** The Government Accountability Board was created by 2007 Wisconsin Act 1. Act 1 abolished the State Ethics and Elections Boards and their functions were merged into the new agency, effective after January 10, 2008.

The Elections Board was created as an independent agency by Chapter 334, Laws of 1973, which transferred administration of the state’s election laws from the secretary of state and created the campaign finance registration and reporting system.

The Ethics Board was created by Chapter 90, Laws of 1973, to administer the ethics code applicable to public officials and employees created by the act. Lobbying has been regulated in Wisconsin since 1858. The secretary of state was made responsible for the enforcement of lobbying laws by Chapter 278, Laws of 1977, and this regulation was transferred to the Ethics Board by 1989 Wisconsin Act 338.

**Statutory Council**

**Election Administration Council:** Suzette Emmer (Elections Coordinator, Milwaukee County Board of Election Commissioners); Neil Albrecht (City of Milwaukee Board of Election Commissioners); Sue Ertmer (Winnebago County Clerk); Nan Kottke (Marathon County Clerk); Marilyn K. Bihend (Johnson Town Clerk); Julee Helt (Waunakee Village Clerk); Diane Hermann-Brown (Sun Prairie City Clerk); Sue Peck (Marshall Village Clerk); Audrey Rue (Brigham Town Clerk); Kit Kerschensteiner (Managing Attorney, Disability Rights Wisconsin); Andrea Kaminski (Executive Director, League of Women Voters of Wisconsin); Sandi Wesołowski (City of Franklin Clerk); Anita Johnson (Election Administration Advocate, Citizen Action of Wisconsin, Milwaukee); Maureen Ryan (Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers); Lori Stotller (Rock County Clerk); Sandra Klister (Bristol Town Clerk); John Shaw (Community Outready/Advocacy, Board for People with Developmental Disabilities); Donna Austed (Eau Claire City Clerk); Kevin Kennedy (Government Accountability Board director and general counsel).

The Election Administration Council assists the Government Accountability Board in preparing and revising, as necessary, a state plan that meets the requirements of Public Law 107-252, the federal “Help America Vote Act of 2002”, which will enable participation by the state in federal financial assistance programs authorized under that law. The members of the council are appointed by the GAB elections division administrator. The membership must include the clerk or executive director of the board of election commissioners of the two counties or municipalities having the largest population, one or more election officials of other counties or municipalities, representatives of organizations that advocate for the interests of the voting public, and other electors of Wisconsin. The council was created by 2003 Wisconsin Act 265 in the Elections Board, and was attached to the GAB by 2007 Wisconsin Act 1. The composition and duties of the council are specified in Sections 5.05 (10), 5.68 (3m), and 15.607 (1) of the statutes.
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- Northern Wisconsin
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- Financial Management – Nursing Home Services
- Long Term Care Financing Managed Care

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- Mendota Mental Health Institute
- Winnebago Mental Health Institute
- Sand Ridge Secure Treatment Center
- Wisconsin Resource Center
- Client Rights Office

Division of Public Health
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- Community Health Promotion
- Environmental and Occupational Health
Office of Health Informatics
- Office of Operations
- Office of Policy and Practice Alignment
- State Health Officer
- Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care

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Bureaus of:
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- Education Services and Technology
- Health Services
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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Health Services administers a wide range of services to clients in the community and at state institutions, regulates certain care providers, and supervises and consults with local public and voluntary agencies. Its responsibilities span public health; mental health and substance abuse; long-term support and care; services to people who have a disability, medical assistance, and children’s services; aging programs; physical and developmental disability services; sensory disability programs; operation of care and treatment facilities; quality assurance programs; nutrition supplementation programs; medical assistance; and health care for low-income families, elderly, and disabled persons.

Organization: The department is administered by a secretary who is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the division administrators from outside the classified service. 

Unit Functions: The Division of Enterprise Services oversees financial management, information systems and technology, personnel and employment relations, affirmative action and civil rights compliance, purchasing and contract administration, facilities management, continuity of operations planning, project management, and other administrative services. It handles billing, collection, and related accounting for state institutions.

The Division of Health Care Access and Accountability provides access to health care for low-income persons, the elderly, and people with disabilities. It administers the Medical Assistance (Medicaid), BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, Chronic Disease Aids, General Relief, and FoodShare programs.

The Division of Long Term Care administers a variety of programs that provide long-term support for the elderly and people with disabilities. These programs include Family Care, Aging and Disability Resource Centers, Community Relocation Initiative, Community Integration Initiative, Pathways to Independence, and the Community Options Program. The division manages nursing home funding, nursing home policies, and reimbursement and auditing services. The division also includes the Offices for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Blind or Visually Impaired as well as programs for Autism and Brain Injury. The division supports the Birth to 3 Interagency Coordinating Council and the Assistive Technology Council as required by federal law. In addition, it operates three state centers for persons with developmental disabilities: Northern Wisconsin Center (Chippewa Falls), Central Wisconsin Center (Madison), and Southern Wisconsin Center (Union Grove).

The Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services administers programs to meet mental health and substance abuse prevention, diagnosis, early intervention, and treatment needs in community and institutional settings. The division operates Community Forensic Programs for individuals in need of competency evaluation and treatment and community-based treatment for persons found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect when community treatment is ordered by the court. The division administers the state’s institutional programs for persons whose mental health needs or developmental disabilities cannot be met in a community setting. The two mental health institutes, Mendota Mental Health Institute and Winnebago Mental Health Institute, provide treatment for persons with mental health needs which require inpatient hospitalization including medical, psychological, social, and rehabilitative services. Mendota Mental Health Institute houses a secure treatment unit to meet the mental health needs of male adolescents from the Department of Corrections’ juvenile institutions. The division operates the Wisconsin Resource Center as a medium security facility for mentally ill prison inmates whose treatment needs cannot be met by the Department of Corrections. It also provides treatment at the Sand Ridge Secure Treatment Center for individuals civilly committed under the sexually violent persons law, and provides services for persons placed on supervised release. The
division contracts with all counties in the state and a large number of private providers for the provision of community-based services.

The Division of Public Health promotes and protects public health in Wisconsin through various services and regulations. It administers programs that address environmental and occupational health, family and community health, chronic and communicable disease prevention and control, and programs relating to maternal and child health, including the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Supplemental Food Program. It licenses emergency medical service providers and technicians and approves and supervises their training. The division is also responsible for inspecting restaurants, hotels and motels, bed and breakfast establishments, camps and campgrounds, food vendors, and swimming pools. The division performs vital recordkeeping functions including providing birth, death, marriage, and divorce certificates and the gathering, analysis, and publishing of statistical information related to the health of the state’s population. The division conducts formal statutory reviews of all local health departments every five years.

The Division of Quality Assurance licenses and regulates over 40 different programs and facilities that provide health, long-term care, and mental health and substance abuse services including assisted living facilities, nursing homes, community-based residential facilities home health agencies, and facilities serving people with developmental disabilities. It also performs caregiver background checks and investigations.

History: The Department of Health Services combines supervision of many state and local functions that had developed separately in the 1800s. For more than two decades after statehood, Wisconsin created separate governing boards and institutions for the care of prisoners; juveniles; and blind, deaf, and mentally ill persons. By 1871, there were six such institutions. The first attempt to institute overall supervision of these services came when the legislature passed Chapter 136, Laws of 1871, creating the State Board of Charities and Reform. Its duties included examination of the operations of state institutions and their boards and investigation of practices in local asylums, jails, and schools for the blind and deaf.

In Chapter 298, Laws of 1881, the legislature abolished the separate institutional boards and combined their functions under the State Board of Supervision of Wisconsin Charitable, Reformatory and Penal Institutions. The State Board of Charities and Reform continued to operate until 1891. In that year, the two boards were combined as the State Board of Control of the Wisconsin Reformatory, Charitable and Penal Institutions in Chapter 221, Laws of 1891, thus completing the consolidation of public welfare activities.

In the early days of statehood, public health was primarily a function of local governments. In Chapter 366, Laws of 1876, the legislature established the State Board of Health to “study the vital statistics of this state, and endeavor to make intelligent and profitable use of the collected records of death and sickness among the people.” The board was directed to “make sanitary investigations and inquiries respecting the causes of disease, and especially of epidemics; the causes of mortality, and the effects of localities, employments, conditions, ingesta, habits and circumstances on the health of the people.” This directive defines much of the work still done in public health. Later legislation required the board to take responsibility for tuberculosis care (1905), to direct its efforts toward preventing blindness in infants (1909), and to inspect water and sewerage systems to prevent typhoid and dysentery (1919). In addition, at various times, the board licensed restaurants, health facilities, barbers, embalmers, and funeral directors.

By the time the federal government entered the field of public welfare during the Great Depression of the 1930s, Wisconsin had already pioneered a number of programs, including aid to children and pensions for the elderly (enacted in 1931). The Wisconsin Children’s Code, enacted by Chapter 439, Laws of 1929, was one of the most comprehensive in the nation. The state’s initial response to federal funding was to establish separate departments to administer social security funds and other public welfare programs. After several attempts at reorganization and a series of studies, the legislature established the State Department of Public Welfare in Chapter 435, Laws of 1939, to provide unified administration of all existing welfare functions. Public health and care for the aged were delegated to separate agencies.

The executive branch reorganization act of 1967 created the Department of Health and Social Services. The Board of Health and Social Services, appointed by the governor, directed the new department and appointed the departmental secretary to administer the agency. In addition to
combining public welfare, public health, and care for the aged in the reorganization act, the 1967 Legislature added the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in Chapter 43. In Chapter 39, Laws of 1975, the legislature abolished the board and replaced it with a secretary appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. That same law called for a reorganization of the department, which was completed by July 1977. The Department of Health and Social Services was renamed the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS), effective July 1, 1996.
The decades of the 1960s and 1970s saw an expansion of public welfare and health services at both the federal and state levels. Especially notable were programs for medical care for the needy and aged (Medical Assistance and Medicare), drug treatment programs, food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program (AFDC), and increased regulation of hospitals and nursing homes.

While continuing to administer its established programs, the department was assigned additional duties during the 1980s in the areas of child support, child abuse and neglect, programs for the handicapped, and welfare reform. However, 1989 Wisconsin Acts 31 and 107 created a separate Department of Corrections to administer adult corrections institutions and programs, and 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 transferred responsibility for juvenile offenders to that department.

1995 Wisconsin Act 27 revised AFDC and transferred it and other income support programs including Medical Assistance eligibility and food stamps to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD). (Wisconsin Works, known as W-2, replaced AFDC in 1995 Wisconsin Act 289.) Existing welfare reform programs, including Job Opportunities and Basic Skills (JOBS), Learnfare, Parental Responsibility, and Work-Not-Welfare, were also transferred to DWD, along with child and spousal support, the Children First Program, Older American Community Service Employment, refugee assistance programs, and vocational rehabilitation functions. Health care facilities plan review was transferred from the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations to DHFS by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Act 27 also transferred laboratory certification to the Department of Administration.

As a result of 1995 Wisconsin Act 303, the department assumed responsibility for direct administration and operation of Milwaukee County child welfare services. Primary responsibility for the Health Insurance Risk-Sharing Program (HIRSP) was transferred to the department from the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance by 1997 Wisconsin Act 27. 2001 Wisconsin Act 16 transferred the Medical Assistance Eligibility Program and the Food Stamp Program to DHFS from the Department of Workforce Development.

2007 Wisconsin Act 20 changed the name of the department to the Department of Health Services beginning July 1, 2008. Act 20 also created a separate Department of Children and Families and split the responsibilities of DHFS between the two departments.

The Office of Free Market Health Care, which is jointly directed by the Department of Health Services and the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, was established by Executive Order 10 on January 27, 2011. The responsibilities of the office include developing plans that encourage competition in health care benefits and insurance plans through free-market, consumer driven approaches. The Office of Inspector General and the Office of Children’s Mental Health were created by 2013 Wisconsin Act 20.

Statutory Councils and Committees

Birth Defect Prevention and Surveillance, Council on: LINDSAY ZETZSCHE (UW Medical School representative), WILLIAM RHEAD (Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc., representative), vacancy (pediatric nurse representative), MICHELLE KEMPF-WEIBEL (children and youth with special health care needs DHS program representative), CAROL NODDINGS-EICHINGER (early intervention services DHS program representative), ANN BUEDE (Vital Records Office, health statistics research and analysis DHS representative), PHILIP GIAMPIETRO (State Medical Society representative), vacancy (Wisconsin Health and Hospital Association representative), KERRY BALDWIN JEDELE (Wisconsin Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics representative), vacancy (Council on Developmental Disabilities representative), MIR BASSIR (nonprofit organization representative), LISA B. NELSON (parent/guardian of child with a birth defect), CYNTHIA DESTEFFEN (local health department representative) (appointed by secretary of health services).

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The 13-member Council on Birth Defect Prevention and Surveillance makes recommendations to the department regarding the administration of the Wisconsin Birth Defects Registry. The registry documents diagnoses and counts the number of birth defects for children up to age two. The council advises what birth defects are to be reported; the content, format, and
procedures for reporting; and the contents of the aggregated reports. Members are appointed by the secretary of health services to 4-year terms. The UW Medical School and Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc., representatives must have expertise in birth defects epidemiology. Nurse representatives must specialize in pediatrics or have expertise in birth defects. The program representatives are from the appropriate subunits in the department. The nonprofit representative must be from an organization whose primary purpose is birth defect prevention and which does not promote abortion as a method of prevention. The department has added a nonstatutory council member to represent parents or guardians of children born with birth defects. The council was created by 1999 Wisconsin Act 114. Its duties and composition are prescribed in Sections 15.197 (12) and 253.12 (4) of the statutes. Additional information is available at: http://www.cbdps.state.wi.us/index.html.

Blindness, Council on: Doug Tikkanen, chairperson; Josephine Grove, vice chairperson; Joan Gustavson, secretary; Janet Dickey (member-at-large); Bill Gallik, Troy Hergert, Roberto Torrez, Lee Young; Tom Langham (Department of Health Services council liaison) (appointed by secretary of health services).

The 9-member Council on Blindness makes recommendations to the department and other state agencies on services, activities, programs, investigations, and research that affect persons who are blind or visually impaired. Members are appointed by the secretary of health services to serve 3-year terms and are eligible to reapply to serve a second 3-year term at the conclusion of the first term. At least seven of the nine appointed members must be blind or visually impaired. The current council was created in the Department of Health and Social Services by Chapter 366, Laws of 1969. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.197 (2) and 47.03 (9) of the statutes.

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Council for the: Justin Vollmar (deaf member), chairperson; Denise Johnson (deaf member), vice chairperson; Nicole Everson, Karl Nollenberger (deaf members); Tracy Haas, Steven Smart, vacancy (at large members); William Mauldin, Alex Slappey (ex officio members) (all appointed by governor).

The 9-member Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing advises the department on the provision of effective services to deaf, hard-of-hearing, late-deafened, and deaf-blind people. Members are appointed by the governor for staggered 4-year terms. The council was created by Chapter 34, Laws of 1979, as the Council for the Hearing Impaired and renamed by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Its duties and composition are prescribed in Sections 15.09 (5) and 15.197 (8) of the statutes. Additional information is available at: http://www.dhhcouncil.state.wi.us.


The Medicaid Pharmacy Prior Authorization Advisory Committee advises the department on issues related to prior authorization decisions concerning prescription drugs on behalf of medical assistance recipients. Section 49.45 (49) (a) of the statutes directs the secretary of health services to establish a committee, of at least 5 members, including 2 physicians, 2 pharmacists, and an advocate for recipients of medical assistance who has sufficient medical background to evaluate a prescription drug’s effectiveness. Members are appointed by the secretary. Information is available at: www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/wiportal/tab/42/icscontent/provider/pac/index.htm.page.

Mental Health, Council on: Sheldon Gross, chairperson; Donna Wrenn, vice chairperson; Mishelle O’Sasky, second vice chairperson; Julie-Anne Braun, Kathryn Bush, Patrick Cork, Kathleen Enders, Tracey Hassinger, Richard Immler, Carol Keen, Bonnie MacRitchie, Charlotte Matteson, David Nencka, David Stepien, Matthew Strittmatter, Charles Szafrir III, Masood Wasiullah, Joseph Worrella, 2 vacancies (appointed by secretary of health services).

The Council on Mental Health is composed of not less than 21 or more than 25 members nominated by the secretary of health services and the council and appointed by the governor.
for 3-year terms. Persons appointed shall include representatives of groups and a proportion of members as specified in 42 USC 300x-3 (c), as amended on April 2, 2008. The council advises the department, governor, and legislature on mental health programs; provides recommendations on the expenditure of federal mental health block grants; reviews the department’s plans for mental health services; and serves as an advocate for the mentally ill. The council was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 439, and its membership was amended by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.197 (1) and 51.02 of the statutes. Additional information is available at: http://www.mhc.state.wi.us.


The Newborn Screening Advisory Umbrella Committee advises the department regarding the statutorily required program, which generally provides that infants receive blood or other diagnostic tests for congenital and metabolic disorders. Newborn screening has been required since 1978, and is a joint effort of the Department of Health Services and the State Laboratory of Hygiene. Section 253.13 (5) of the statutes requires the department to periodically consult appropriate experts in reviewing and evaluation of the state’s newborn screening programs. The number and qualifications of committee members is not specified. Members are appointed by the secretary. Information is available at: http://www.slh.wisc.edu/newborn/guide/advisory.dot.

Public Health Council: Julie Willems Van Dijk (local health representative), chairperson; John Bartkowski, Catherine Frey, Corazon Loteyro, Douglas Nelson, Thai Vue (health care consumer representatives); Mary Jo Baisch, S. Garcia Franz, John Meuer, Deborah Miller, Charles Post, Ayaz Samadani, James Sanders (health care provider representatives); Bridget Clementi, Gary Gilmore, Lynn Sheets (health professions educator representatives); Bevan Baker, Terri Kramolis, Gretchen Sampson (local health departments and boards representatives); Faye Dodge (tribal representative); Amy Bremel, Mark Villalpando (public safety representatives); vacancy.

The 23-member Public Health Council advises the department, the governor, the legislature, and the public on progress made in the implementation of the department’s 10-year public health plan and coordination of responses to public health emergencies. Members are nominated by the secretary of health services and appointed by the governor to serve 3-year terms and must include representatives of health care consumers, health care providers, health professions educators, local health departments and boards, federally recognized American Indian tribes or bands in this state, public safety agencies, and, if established by the secretary of health services, the Public Health Advisory Committee. 2003 Wisconsin Act 186 created the council and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.197 (13) and 250.07 (1m) of the statutes.

Trauma Advisory Council: Alex Beuning, Gaby Iskander, 2 vacancies (physicians); Cheryl Paar, vacancy (registered nurses); 2 vacancies (emergency medical service providers); Merrilee Carlson, vacancy (rural hospital representatives); Nirav Patel, vacancy (urban hospital representatives); Brenda Felzenz (EMS Board representative).

The 13-member Trauma Advisory Council, all appointed by the secretary of health services, advises the department on developing and implementing a statewide trauma care system. Membership must include physicians, registered nurses, prehospital emergency medical service providers, urban and rural hospital personnel, and the medical services board. They must represent “all geographical areas of the state”. Physician appointees must represent urban and rural areas, and one of the prehospital emergency medical service providers must represent a municipality. The council was created by 1997 Wisconsin Act 154 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.197 (25) and 146.56 (1) of the statutes. Additional information is available at: http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/trauma/councils/index.htm.
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD

Members: Troy Haase, chairperson; Steve Bane, vice chairperson; Mindy Allen, Jim Austad, Jerry Biggart, Brenda Fellenz, Mark Fredrickson, Kenneth Johnson, Les Luder, Gloria Murawsky, vacancy (voting members appointed by governor). Ex officio nonvoting members: Brian Litza (designated by secretary of health services), Janet Nodorft (designated by secretary of transportation), Timothy Weir (designated by state director, Technical College System Board), Michael Kim (state medical director for emergency medical services).

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Statutory References: Sections 15.195 (8) and 146.55 (3).

Agency Responsibility: The 15-member Emergency Medical Services Board appoints an advisory committee of physicians to advise the department on the selection of the state medical director for emergency medical services and to review that person’s performance. It also advises the director on medical issues; reviews emergency medical service statutes and rules concerning the transportation of patients; and recommends changes to the Department of Health Services and the Department of Transportation. The board includes personnel from the appropriate state agencies and related emergency services in its deliberations.

The board includes 11 voting members, appointed by the governor for 3-year terms, who must “represent the various geographical areas of the state” and various types of emergency medical service providers. The board, which was created by 1993 Wisconsin Act 16, replaced the Emergency Medical Services Assistance Board, created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 102.

COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

Members: Ben Barret, chairperson; Joanne Zimmerman, secretary; Christine Duranceau, Roberto Escamilla III, Jeff Fox, Noah Herskowitz, John Meissner, Karen Secor, Joey Torkelson, Lewis Tyler, Charles VandenPlas, 2 vacancies; vacancy (governor’s representative) (all members are appointed by governor).

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Statutory References: Sections 15.197 (4) and 46.29.

Agency Responsibility: The 14-member Council on Physical Disabilities develops and modifies the state plan for services to persons with physical disabilities. It advises the secretary of health services, recommends legislation, encourages public understanding of the needs of persons with physical disabilities, and promotes programs to prevent physical disability. The 13 appointed members are appointed by the governor to serve 3-year terms and must be state residents. At least 6 members must be persons with physical disabilities; 2 may be parents, guardians, or relatives of persons with physical disabilities; and at least one must be a service provider. The council must include equitable representation for sex, race, and urban and rural areas. The council was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 202.

HIGHER EDUCATIONAL AIDS BOARD

Members: Regina Miller (UW System Board of Regents member); Stephen Willett (Technical College System Board member); Kathleen Sahlhoff (UW System financial aids administrator); Mary Jo Green (Technical College System financial aids administrator); vacancy (UW System student representative); Nathaniel Helm-Quest (Technical College
The Higher Educational Aids Board is responsible for the management and oversight of the state’s student financial aid system for Wisconsin residents attending institutions of higher education. It also enters into interstate agreements and performs student loan collection services.

The board establishes policies for the state’s student financial aid programs, including academic excellence scholarships, Wisconsin grants — University; Technical College; Tribal College; and Private nonprofit (formerly Wisconsin higher education grant (WHEG) and Tuition Grant (TG)), talent incentive grants, Wisconsin Covenant grant, handicapped student grants, Indian student grants, minority student grants (private sector and Technical College System), teacher education loans, minority teacher loans, nursing student loans, primary care and psychiatry shortage grants, and interstate reciprocity. It administers the contracts for medical and dental education services and approves the participants in the Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc., per capita grant program. It administers the John R. Justice loan repayment grant program which provides loan repayment assistance for local, state, and federal public defenders and local and state prosecutors.

Organization: The 11 statutory members of the board include the superintendent of public instruction or designee, 7 members who serve 3-year terms, and 3 student members who serve 2-year terms. The students must be at least 18 years old, residents of this state, enrolled at least half-time, and in good academic standing. The UW and private nonprofit institution students must be undergraduates. The governor appoints the board’s executive secretary. In 2005, the board added a nonstatutory nonvoting member to represent tribal institutions of higher education.

History: The Higher Educational Aids Board originated as the State Commission for Academic Facilities. It was created by Chapter 573, Laws of 1963, to administer Title I of the Federal Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963, which funded grants for university and college building programs in Wisconsin. Chapter 264, Laws of 1965, gave the commission student financial aid responsibilities and changed its name to the State Commission for Higher Educational Aids. Chapter 313, Laws of 1967, authorized the commission to organize the Wisconsin Higher Education Corporation to administer the federal Guaranteed Student Loan Program. The corporation was given an independent board of directors as a private nonstock corporation in 1984. Chapter 276, Laws of 1969, renamed the commission the Higher Educational Aids Board. The Higher Educational Aids Board was inadvertently repealed by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, but was continued as the Higher Educational Aids Council by Executive Order 283. The legislature recreated the board in 1997 Wisconsin Act 27.
Board of Curators: CONRAD GOODKIND, president; BRIAN RUE, president-elect; ELLEN LANGILL, immediate past president; DAVID ANDERSON (designated by governor); vacancy (designated by assembly speaker); SENATOR LAZICH (senate president); GEORGE JACOBS, Jr., R. WILLIAM VAN SANT, KEENE WINTERS (appointed by governor with senate consent); JON ANGELI, ANGELA BARTELL, SID BREMER, NORBERT HILL, Jr., JOANNE HUELSMAN, GREG HUBER, CAROL McCHESNEY JOHNSON, CHLORIS LOWE, JR., THOMAS MAXWELL, LOWELL PETERSON, JERRY PHILLIPS, WALTER RUGLAND, MICHAEL SCHMUDLACH, SAM SCINTA, THOMAS SHRINER, JR., ROBERT SMITH, JOHN THOMPSON, AHARON ZOREA; SENATOR RISSER (minority party senator), REPRESENTATIVE KESSLER (minority party representative to the assembly). Ex officio members: MICHAEL YOUNGMAN (Wisconsin Historical Foundation President); LAURA CRAMER (Friends of Wisconsin Historical Society President); LANE EARNs (UW President designee); ROY OSTENSO (Wisconsin Council for Local History President). (Unless otherwise indicated, curators are elected by the membership of the state historical society or serve ex officio.)

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Publications: Columns; Wisconsin Magazine of History. The society also publishes books, research guides, and miscellaneous brochures. Recent publications include The Heart of Things; The Quiet Season; Polka Heartland; Seventh Generation Earth Ethics; Whispers & Shadows.

Number of Employees: 129.04.


Statutory References: Section 15.70; Chapter 44, Subchapters I and II.

Agency Responsibility: The mission of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, known informally as the Wisconsin Historical Society, is to help connect people to the past. The society has a statutory duty to collect and preserve historical and cultural resources related to Wisconsin and to make them available to the public. To meet these objectives, the society maintains a major history research collection in Madison and in 14 area research centers; operates 11 historic sites and museums, an office at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center, a field services office in Eau Claire, and statewide school services programs. It owns Circus World Museum, which is managed by the Circus World Museum Foundation. It provides public history programming such as National History Day and collaborates with other agencies such as Wisconsin Public Television to deliver history programming to the public. It provides technical services and advice to 392 affiliated local historical societies throughout the state. It conducts, publishes, and disseminates research on Wisconsin and U.S. history, and serves as the state’s historic preservation office, which facilitates the preservation of historic structures and archaeological sites and administers the state and national registers of historic places. The society is also responsible for implementation of the state’s Burial Sites Preservation Law.

Organization: The society is both a state agency and a membership organization. The society’s Board of Curators includes 8 statutory appointments and up to 30 members who are elected
according to the society’s constitution and bylaws. The 3 members appointed by the governor with senate consent serve staggered 3-year terms. The board selects the society’s director, who serves as administrative head and as secretary to the board.

**Unit Functions:** The Division of Administrative Services provides management and program services in the areas of accounting, financial services, purchasing, human resources, payroll and benefits, as well as maintenance and repairs of the society’s headquarters building and the Wisconsin Historical Museum.
The Division of Historic Preservation – Public History helps make the history of Wisconsin more accessible to state residents and helps preserve places of historic value. It administers Wisconsin’s portion of the National Register of Historic Places in partnership with the National Park Service and manages the State Register of Historic Places. It nominates places of architectural, historic, and archaeological significance to the registers. It reviews federal, state, and local projects for their effect on historic and archaeological properties. The division certifies historic building rehabilitation projects for state and federal income tax credits, archaeological sites for property tax exemptions, and historic buildings as eligible for the state historic building code. The division administers the historical markers program, identifies and promotes underwater archaeological sites, and administers the state’s burial sites preservation program. The Wisconsin Historical Society Press publishes books on Wisconsin history and culture for a general audience and the quarterly Wisconsin Magazine of History. The press develops educational books and curriculum guides for students and teachers to assist in the teaching of Wisconsin history (including the state history textbook for fourth graders). The division coordinates the state’s National History Day program, and provides technical assistance to local historical societies affiliated with the society through the Wisconsin Council for Local History.

The Division of Library – Archives maintains premier collections in Wisconsin and North American history including areas such as genealogy; labor; business and industry; social action, including civil rights, antirwar movements, and reproductive rights issues; mass communications; and dramatic arts, including theater, motion pictures, and television. The library and archives serve as the North American history research collection for the UW-Madison. The library acts as a selective depository for U.S. government publications and official depository for Wisconsin state government publications. The archives program acquires, catalogs, preserves, and makes available primary source materials, including manuscripts, maps, newspapers, photographs, sound recordings, films, videos, and other records pertaining to Wisconsin history and selected fields of U.S. history. It serves as the state archives, collecting and providing access to permanent records of state and local government. The division operates a robust digitization program, having provided online access to over 90,000 photographs and 10 million pages of content over the past decade. In partnership with the University of Wisconsin System, the archives operates 14 Area Research Centers throughout Wisconsin to bring its archival holdings on regional history closer to the public. It also makes available the collections of the Wisconsin Center for Film and Theater Research, which are owned and administered by the UW-Madison.

The Division of Museums and Historic Sites operates 11 historic sites and museums: Black Point Estate, First Capitol, H.H. Bennett Studio, Madeline Island Museum, Old World Wisconsin, Pendarvis, Reed School, Stonefield, Villa Louis, Wade House, and the Wisconsin Historical Museum. The division collects and preserves the material culture of Wisconsin and interprets the state’s history and prehistory for the public. The sites contain historic structures and visitor service buildings that reflect major themes of Wisconsin history, such as ethnic pioneer settlement, mining, farming, fur trade, exploration, transportation, rural life, and town development. The museum in Madison addresses the history of Wisconsin with exhibits covering all of these themes. The division fulfills its educational role through exhibitions, tours, school visits, and a variety of public programs conducted at the museum in Madison, the historic sites, and other venues throughout the state. The division supervises the preservation and development of artifact collections, and operates an archaeology program under a cooperative agreement with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Natural Resources.

The society owns an additional historic site in Baraboo, Circus World, which is operated by the Circus World Museum Foundation. This museum offers an extensive collection of circus memorabilia, unique circus wagons, and it operates a circus in Baraboo during the summer months.

The Wisconsin Historical Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) corporation and the advancement arm of the Wisconsin Historical Society. The foundation receives and administers gifts on behalf of the society and manages the society’s membership program. The foundation has a separate board of directors.

History: The Wisconsin Historical Society was originally founded as a private association in 1846, two years before statehood. It was chartered by the Wisconsin Legislature in Chapter 17,
Laws of 1853, which made the society responsible for the preservation and care of all records, articles, and other materials of historic interest to the state. The society has received state funding since 1854 (Chapter 16) – longer than any other state historical society in the nation.

The legislature expanded the state’s historic preservation program in Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, by making the society responsible for preservation activities associated with the designation, restoration, and repair of historic properties. Chapter 341, Laws of 1981, provided statutory support for local ordinances designed to preserve historic buildings. It set up a framework for a state historic building code with alternative standards for the preservation or restoration of historic structures. 1987 Wisconsin Act 395 strengthened the state’s historic preservation laws by creating the State Register of Historic Places to protect historic and prehistoric properties. This law and 1987 Wisconsin Act 399 provided state tax credits and exemptions for owners of certain historic and archaeological properties.

1985 Wisconsin Act 29 formalized the practice of allowing the historical society to enter into a lease agreement with a nonprofit corporation, now called the Circus World Museum Foundation, for the purpose of operating the Circus World Museum.

Statutory Council

The Historical Society Endowment Fund Council advises the state historical society regarding the raising and disbursement of funds used to support the society’s historical and cultural preservation services and educational activities. The 10-member council must include representation from the Wisconsin Arts Board, the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, the Wisconsin Humanities Council, Wisconsin Public Radio and Wisconsin Public Television, and 4 public members, all appointed by the governor. The council was created by 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 15.707 (3) of the statutes.

INDEPENDENT UNITS ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

BURIAL SITES PRESERVATION BOARD

Burial Sites Preservation Board: JOHN H. BROHAIN (state archaeologist, nonvoting member); ELLSWORTH H. BROWN (state historical society director); JIM DRAEGER (state historic preservation officer, nonvoting member), KATHERINE C. EGAN-BRUCHY, JENNIFER HAAS, CYNTHIA STILES (nominated by Wisconsin Archaeological Survey); DAVID J. GRIGNON, CORINA WILLIAMS, MELINDA YOUNG (nominated by the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc., and the Menominee Tribe). (All except ex officio members are appointed by governor.)

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Statutory References: Section 15.705 (1); Chapter 157, Subchapter III.

Agency Responsibility: The Burial Sites Preservation Board was created to protect all the interests related to human burial sites and to ensure equal treatment and respect for all human burials, regardless of ethnic origin, cultural background, or religious affiliation. The board develops detailed policies to implement the burial sites preservation program; reviews decisions of the director or the administrative hearing examiner concerning applications for permits to disturb cataloged burial sites; and reviews the director’s decisions regarding the disposition of human remains and burial objects removed from a burial site. This program was created by 1985 Wisconsin Act 316.

Organization: The 9-member board includes 3 members with professional qualifications in archaeology, physical anthropology, or history and 3 members of federally recognized Indian nations in Wisconsin who have a knowledge of tribal preservation planning, history, or archaeology or who serve as elders, traditional persons, or spiritual leaders of a tribe. The 6 appointed members serve 3-year terms.
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD


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Statutory References: Section 15.705 (2); Chapter 44, Subchapter II.

Agency Responsibility: The Historic Preservation Review Board approves nominations to the Wisconsin State Register of Historic Places and the National Register of Historic Places upon recommendation of the State Historic Preservation Officer. (By statute, the director of the State Historical Society serves as the state officer or designates someone to do so.) The board approves the distribution of federal grants-in-aid for preservation; advises the state historical society; and requests comments from planning departments of affected municipalities, local landmark commissions, and local historical societies regarding properties being considered for nomination to the state and national registers. The board was created by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977.

Organization: The board consists of 15 members appointed by the governor to staggered 3-year terms. At least 9 must be professionally qualified in the areas of architecture, archaeology, art history, and history. Up to 6 members may be qualified in related fields, such as landscape architecture, urban and regional planning, law, or real estate.

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Number of Employees: 153.30.
Total Budget 2013-15: $216,926,800.

Statutory References: Section 15.73; Chapter 601.

Agency Responsibility: The Office of the Commissioner of Insurance supervises the insurance industry in Wisconsin. The office is responsible for examining insurance industry financial practices and market conduct, licensing insurance agents, reviewing policy forms for compliance with state insurance statutes and regulations, investigating consumer complaints, and pro-
viding consumer information. Its goals are to ensure the financial soundness of insurers doing business in Wisconsin; secure fair treatment by insurance companies and agents of policyholders and claimants; encourage industry self-regulation; emphasize loss prevention as part of good insurance practice; and educate the public on insurance issues.

The office administers three segregated insurance funds: the State Life Insurance Fund, the Local Government Property Insurance Fund, and the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund. The State Life Insurance Fund offers up to $10,000 of low-cost life insurance protection to any Wisconsin resident who meets prescribed risk standards. The Local Government Property Insurance Fund provides mandatory coverage for local governments against fire loss, as well as optional coverage for certain property damage they may incur.

The agency oversees activities of the Health Care Liability Insurance Plan, which provides liability coverage for hospitals, physicians, and other health care providers in Wisconsin, and the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund, which provides medical malpractice coverage for qualified health care providers on claims in excess of a provider’s underlying coverage.

**Organization:** The commissioner of insurance is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The commissioner cannot be a candidate for public office and there are stringent restrictions on the commissioner’s political activities. The deputy commissioner is appointed from outside the classified service and the division administrators from the classified service.

**Unit Functions:** The Funds and Program Management Organizational Unit contains the Management Analysis and Planning Section, the Information Technology Section, the Local Government Property Insurance Fund, and the State Life Insurance Fund. The first two sections are responsible for providing a variety of administrative services in support of all agency programs and employees. These services include budget, finance and accounting, receivables, certain procurement tasks, training and employee development, project management, and all IT services including help desk, applications development and support, security, e-mail, and network management. The two funds operate state programs providing property insurance for local units of government in Wisconsin, and basic life insurance for Wisconsin residents, respectively.

The Division of Regulation and Enforcement conducts field reviews of insurer underwriting, rating, claim handling, and marketing practices. It investigates insurance agent activities, prepares enforcement proceedings, and, in conjunction with the legal unit, prosecutes offenders. It helps consumers resolve problems with insurers and agents, and carries out the agency’s consumer education program. Other duties include review of premium rates and insurance policy forms and contracts filed with the office to ensure their compliance with state law; review of insurer advertising files; and licensing and testing of insurance agents.

The division also conducts field examinations of the financial condition of insurers domiciled in Wisconsin and monitors the financial condition of insurers doing business in the state. It oversees insurer rehabilitations and liquidations, and audits and collects insurer taxes and fees. It incorporates the formation of new insurers and is responsible for the licensing of nondomestic insurers that want to do business in the state. It reviews and approves transactions that result in the change of control or financial structure of domestic insurers. It also administers the fire department dues program in cooperation with the Department of Safety and Professional Services, whereby dues paid by insurers who provide fire coverage are disbursed to municipalities for fire protection and the fire fighters’ pension and disability funds.

The Legal Unit represents the office in administrative proceedings, provides legal advice to staff, represents or supervises representation of the office in litigation and insurance company receiverships, provides legal services for the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund, Wisconsin Health Care Liability Insurance Plan, Local Government Property Insurance Fund, the State Life Insurance Fund, and develops legislative proposals and administrative rules.

The Legislative Relations and Communications Unit provides advice on executive matters affecting the office’s goals and initiatives including directing the office’s legislative initiatives and communications activities. The unit also provides advice on technical insurance-related issues and educates underserved populations on insurance issues.
History: State regulation of insurance dates back to 1870 when Chapter 56 created a Department of Insurance in the secretary of state’s office to license agents and, upon complaint, examine the books of fire and inland navigation insurance companies. In 1878 (Chapter 214), the legislature created a separate Department of Insurance, headed by a commissioner appointed by the governor, to perform these functions. From 1881 to 1911, based on Chapter 300, Laws of 1881, an elected commissioner administered the insurance department. With the enactment of Chapter 484, Laws of 1911, the insurance commissioner was again made an appointee. The 1967 executive branch reorganization act renamed the department the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance and continued it as an independent regulatory agency.

Other highlights include the development of the standard fire insurance contract in Chapter 195, Laws of 1891, and stricter regulation of the life insurance industry in 1907 to prevent fraud and misrepresentation. In 1911 and 1913, Wisconsin added coverage of local governments’ property and buildings under the State Insurance Fund.

Wisconsin became the only state to establish a state life insurance fund for its residents under Chapter 577, Laws of 1911, which authorized the Department of Insurance to issue life insurance and annuity contracts. Since 1947 (Chapters 487 and 521), the office’s responsibilities have included the review of all insurance policy forms and the filing of most premium rates. Wisconsin’s current insurance laws are largely the result of a recodification developed between 1967 and 1979 by the Legislative Council and they have served as a basis for the model acts adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (an association of state insurance regulators).

Statutory Boards and Council

Insurance Security Fund, Board of Directors of the: Ted Nickel (insurance commissioner), Brad Schimel (attorney general), Matt Adamczyk (state treasurer); Mark J. Backe, John F. Cleary, James E. Crist, David G. Diercks, Kenneth Eerler, Peter C. Farrow, J. Stanley Hoffert, Allen Ogilvie, Janis Potter, Scott Seymour, Tod J. Zacharias (insurance industry representatives appointed by commissioner).

The Board of Directors of the Insurance Security Fund administers a fund that protects certain insurance policyholders and claimants from excessive delay and loss in the event of insurer liquidation. The fund consists of life, allocated annuity, health, HMO, property and casualty, and administrative accounts. The fund supports continuation of coverage under many life, annuity, and health policies. It is financed by assessments paid by most insurers in this state. The board may consist of 12 to 14 members but must include the attorney general, state treasurer, and insurance commissioner or their designees. The industry members must be chosen from representatives of insurers who are subject to the security fund law, and one member must be a representative of a service insurance corporation. The board’s advice and recommendations to the commissioner are not subject to the state’s open records law. The board was originally created in Chapter 144, Laws of 1969, with substantial revisions in Chapter 109, Laws of 1979, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 646.12 and 646.13 of the statutes.

Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund/Wisconsin Health Care Liability Insurance Plan, Board of Governors of: Ted Nickel (insurance commissioner), chairperson; Marty Arnold, David Maurer, vacancy (insurance industry representatives appointed by commissioner); John Walsh (named by State Bar of Wisconsin); M. Angela Dentice (named by Wisconsin Association for Justice); Robert Jaeger, Linda Synth (named by Wisconsin Medical Society); Ralph Topinka (named by Wisconsin Hospital Association); Gregory Banaszynski, Carla Borda, Susan Engler, Kathryn Osborne (public members appointed by governor).

The 13-member Board of Governors of the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund/Wisconsin Health Care Liability Insurance Plan oversees the health care liability plans for licensed physicians and nurse anesthetists, medical partnerships and corporations, cooperative sickness care associations, ambulatory surgery centers, hospitals, some nursing homes, and certain other health care providers. The board also supervises the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund, which pays medical malpractice claims in excess of a provider’s underlying coverage. The 4 public members serve staggered 3-year terms, and at least 2 of
them must not be attorneys or physicians nor be professionally affiliated with any hospital or insurance company. The insurance commissioner or the commissioner’s designee, who must be an employee of the office of the commissioner, serves as chairperson. The board was created by the medical malpractice law, Chapter 37, Laws of 1975, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 619.04 (3) and 655.27 of the statutes.

**Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund Peer Review Council:** John Kelly, chairperson; Sandra Osborn, vacancy (physicians); Tom Kirschbaum, Jeff Renier (public members).

The 5-member Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund Peer Review Council reviews, within one year of the first payment on a claim, each claim for damages arising out of medical care provided by a health care provider or provider’s employee, if the claim is paid by any of the following: the Patients Compensation Fund, a mandatory health care risk-sharing plan, a private health care liability insurer, or a self-insurer. The council can recommend adjustments in fees paid to the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund and the Wisconsin Health Care Liability Insurance Plan or premiums paid to private insurers, if requested by the insurer. The Board of Governors of the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund/Wisconsin Health Care Liability Insurance Plan appoints the council and designates its officers and the terms of the members. Not more than 3 members may be physicians. The chairperson must be a physician, who also serves as an ex officio nonvoting member of the Medical Examining Board. The council was created by 1985 Wisconsin Act 340, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 655.275 of the statutes.
Agency Responsibility: The State of Wisconsin Investment Board is responsible for investing the assets of the Wisconsin Retirement System, the State Life Insurance Fund, the Local Government Property Insurance Fund, the State Historical Society of Wisconsin Endowment Trust Fund, the Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund, the Tuition Trust Fund, and the State Investment Fund.

For purposes of investment, the retirement system’s assets are divided into two funds. The Core Retirement Investment Trust is a broadly diversified portfolio of domestic and international common stocks, corporate and government bonds, and private markets that include real estate and private debt and equity. The Variable Retirement Investment Trust is invested primarily in common stocks. On December 31, 2014, Wisconsin Retirement System trust funds constituted 93% of the $102.9 billion managed by the Investment Board.

The State Investment Fund invests the commingled cash balances of various state and local government funds in short-term investments with earnings and losses distributed on a pro rata basis to the individual component funds. The fund encompasses the cash balance of the state’s general fund and about 68 separate state funds, including the Children’s Trust Fund, the Lottery Fund, the Recycling Fund, the Tuition Trust Fund, and the Wisconsin Election Campaign Fund, as well as various state agency accounts. Authorized local governments may participate by depositing moneys in the Local Government Pooled-Investment Fund, which is a separate fund within the State Investment Fund.

Organization: Except for the secretary of administration, appointments to the 9-member board, which is a body corporate with power to sue and be sued, in its name, are for 6-year terms. The secretary of administration is an ex officio member. At least 4 of the 5 general members must have a minimum of 10 years of investment experience, and none may have a financial interest in or be employed by a dealer or broker in securities, mortgages, or real estate investments. The sixth member appointed by the governor must have 10 years of financial experience and be an employee of a government that participates in the Local Government Pooled-Investment Fund.

The board appoints the executive director and the internal auditor from outside the classified service. The executive director, with the participation of the board, appoints the chief investment officer, and the managing and investment directors from outside the classified service. All other professional employees are also appointed by the executive director from outside the classified service. Board employees may not have any direct or indirect financial interest in any firm engaged in the sale or marketing of real estate or investments or give paid investment advice to others.

History: Chapter 459, Laws of 1921, created a mandatory pension system for teachers and three separate boards to invest the annuity funds of public school, normal school, and university teachers. The 1929 Legislature created the State Annuity and Investment Board and made it responsible for investing the assets of the teachers’ pension funds and other state funds, except the school funds that remained under control of the Commissioners of Public Lands (Chapter 491). The board also assumed oversight and asset management of funds for the newly created state employee pension system as the result of Chapter 176, Laws of 1943.

Chapter 511, Laws of 1951, replaced the three teacher retirement boards and the Annuity and Investment Board with the State Teachers Retirement Board and the State Investment Board, which was responsible for investing the assets of all non-Milwaukee teachers. Chapter 511 also granted the State Investment Board authority to invest the assets of the nonteaching, non-Milwaukee public employees who were covered under the Wisconsin Retirement Fund. Chapter 430, Laws of 1957, brought the funds of the Milwaukee teachers under the control of the State Investment Board. Chapter 96, Laws of 1981, consolidated all public employee retirement plans, with the exception of the City and County of Milwaukee, into the Wisconsin Retirement System, and the State Investment Board has continued to invest the retirement system funds. As a result of the consolidation, the retirement system is the ninth largest public pension fund in the U.S. and the 30th largest public or private pension fund worldwide.

Chapter 449, Laws of 1925, created a State Board of Deposits to insure state funds on deposit in state banks through a deposit fund, managed by the state treasurer under the direction of the board. The board’s duties were to designate the banks in which state funds could be deposited.
and to specify the maximum amount of state funds each could receive. Participating banks paid into the deposit fund, which was designed to reimburse any losses incurred through bank failure.

Chapter 511, Laws of 1951, authorized the State Investment Board to invest the state’s operating funds and directed it to carry out the investment functions of the State Board of Deposits. Although state funds had been invested since 1911, the 1951 reorganization increased the types of investments the board could consider for the funds it managed. Previously, the state’s operating funds had been placed in noninterest bearing accounts. In 1957, the legislature created the State Investment Fund, which merged all state funds except for a handful that are reported separately. The Local Government Pooled-Investment Fund, created in 1976, allows local governments to invest their idle cash at competitive rates of return and withdraw it on a two-day notice with no penalty.

The position of chief investment officer was created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 274, which also provided for an internal audit function.

Although the board has always been subject to the prudent expert fiduciary standard of responsibility, the statutes specified a legal list of authorized investments until 2007. 2007 Wisconsin Act 212 made the prudent expert fiduciary standard the prevailing standard with respect to assets of the Wisconsin Retirement System, thereby overriding the legal list and other provisions in law that previously constrained the board’s investment authority.

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Statutory References: Section 15.25; Chapter 165.
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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Justice provides legal advice and representation, criminal investigation, and various law enforcement services for the state. It represents the state in civil cases and handles criminal cases that reach the Wisconsin Court of Appeals or the Wisconsin Supreme Court. It also represents the state in criminal cases on appeal in federal courts and participates with other states in federal cases that are important to Wisconsin. The department provides legal representation in lower courts when expressly authorized by law or requested by the governor, either house of the legislature, or a state agency head. It also represents state agencies in court reviews of their administrative decisions.

Organization: The Department of Justice is supervised by the attorney general, a constitutional officer who is elected on a partisan ballot to a 4-year term. The attorney general appoints the deputy attorney general, the executive assistant, the department’s division administrators, and the executive director of the Office of Crime Victim Services. With the exception of the administrator of the Division of Criminal Investigation, which is a classified position, all of these positions serve at the pleasure of the attorney general.

Unit Functions: The Office of Crime Victim Services administers state and federal funding to programs that assist victims of crime. Three programs receive full or partial funding from surcharges assessed against convicted criminals: the Crime Victim Compensation Program reimburses eligible victims and their dependents for medical and other qualifying expenses; the Sexual Assault Victim Services (SAVS) Program provides grants to nonprofit organizations that offer services to sexual assault victims; and the Victim/Witness Assistance Program partially reimburses counties for their costs of providing services to crime victims and witnesses. Federal funding supports five programs: the Wisconsin Victim Resource Center, which assists victims in understanding and exercising their statutory and constitutional crime victims’ rights; the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Program that provides grants to programs to provide direct services to innocent victims of crime; the Violence Against Women’s Act (VAWA) Program that provides grants to improve criminal justice responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and to increase the availability of services for victims of these crimes; the Children’s Justice Act, which supports improved investigation, prosecution, and judicial handling of child abuse and neglect; and the Crime Victim Compensation Program.

The Division of Criminal Investigation, created in Section 15.253 (2), Wisconsin Statutes, by 1991 Wisconsin Act 269, investigates crimes that are statewide in nature or importance. Special
agents work closely with local officials to investigate and prosecute crimes involving homicide, arson, drug trafficking, illegal gaming, crimes against children, financial crimes, multijurisdictional crimes, computer crimes, homeland security, public integrity, and government fraud. The division provides extensive training to local, state, and federal officers.

The Division of Law Enforcement Services provides advanced technical services, information, and training to state and local law enforcement agencies and jails. It maintains central fingerprint identification records and computerized criminal history information, operates the Handgun Hotline, and provides criminal history background check services. The statewide telecommunications system links Wisconsin criminal justice agencies to national, state, and local crime files and databases. The crime laboratory system with locations in Madison, Milwaukee, and Wausau, analyzes forensic evidence for the Wisconsin criminal justice system and provides crime scene response in major cases.

The division administers standards and basic recruit training for statewide criminal justice professionals including law enforcement, tribal law enforcement, jail, and secure juvenile detention officers. The division maintains and enforces certification and annual recertification training standards for law enforcement, jail, and secure detention officers, instructors, and training academies. It collaborates extensively with advisory committees and criminal justice training professionals in developing and delivering law enforcement curriculum. It also promotes and provides timely and accurate training, records, reimbursements, and reference information for law enforcement, jail, and secure detention officers.

The Division of Legal Services provides legal representation and advice to the governor, legislature, other state officers and agencies, district attorneys, and county corporation counsels. It also provides training and education to all district attorneys and assistant district attorneys. It enforces state environmental, antitrust, employment, consumer protection, and Medicaid fraud laws. It also prosecutes economic crimes and represents the state in all felony appeals and litigation brought by prison inmates. At the request of district attorneys, the division provides special prosecutors in complex homicide, drug, and white collar and other criminal cases. It defends the state in civil lawsuits filed against the state or its officers and employees and handles matters related to public records, Indian law, and fair housing.

The Division of Management Services prepares the agency budget; manages agency personnel, finances, and facilities; and provides information technology services.

History: When Wisconsin became a territory in 1836, the U.S. President appointed the attorney general. In 1839, a territorial act gave the governor the power to appoint the attorney general with the consent of the Legislative Council (the upper house of the territorial legislature) to a term of 3 years. The Wisconsin Constitution, as adopted in 1848, provided for an elected attorney general with a 2-year term. A constitutional amendment ratified in 1967 increased the term to 4 years, effective in 1971.

Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, named the agency headed by the attorney general the Department of Justice and transferred to its control the State Crime Laboratory, the arson investigation program from the Commissioner of Insurance, and the criminal investigation functions of the Beverage and Cigarette Tax Division of the Department of Revenue. The 1975 Legislature returned alcohol and tobacco tax enforcement to the Department of Revenue.

The 1969 Legislature added enforcement of certain laws related to dangerous drugs, narcotics, and organized crime to the duties of the department and created the public intervenor to intervene in or initiate proceedings to protect public rights in water and other natural resources. In Chapter 189, Laws of 1979, the legislature transferred the crime victims program from the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations to the Department of Justice. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 transferred the public intervenor to the Department of Natural Resources and consumer protection functions to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

Statutory Council

Crime Victims Council: Michele G. Arrowood, Gayle M. Patraw (victim services representatives); Kurt D. Heuer (law enforcement representative); Brad D. Schimmel (district attorney representative); Scott L. Horne (judicial representative); Ave M. Bie, Chris H. Danou, Tom Eagon, Charles S. McGee, Marion Morgan, Mallory E. O’Brien, Michael
S. Rogowski, Anna M. Ruzinski, William Swanson, vacancy (citizen members). (All are appointed by attorney general.)

The 15-member Crime Victims Council provides advice and recommendations on victims’ rights issues and legislation. Members are appointed for staggered 3-year terms, and the 10 citizen members must have demonstrated sensitivity and concern for crime victims. The council was created by Chapter 189, Laws of 1979, as the Crime Victims Compensation Council. It was renamed in Chapter 20, Laws of 1981, and its duties and composition are prescribed in Sections 15.09 (5) and 15.257 (2) of the statutes.

Independent Units Attached for Budgeting, Program Coordination, and Related Management Functions by Section 15.03 of the Statutes

Crime Victims Rights Board

Members: Timothy Gruenke (district attorney appointed by Wisconsin District Attorneys’ Association); Paul Susienka (local law enforcement representative appointed by the attorney general); Trisha Anderson (county provider of victim and witness services appointed by attorney general); Charles S. McGee (citizen member appointed by the Crime Victims Council); Carmen Pitre (citizen member appointed by governor).

Statutory References: Sections 15.255 (2) and 950.09.

The 5-member Crime Victims Rights Board may review and investigate complaints filed by victims of crime regarding their rights. The board is an independent agency. The Department of Justice provides staff to help administer the duties of the board, but actions of the board are not subject to approval or review by the attorney general. The board may issue a private or public reprimand against a public official or agency that violates a crime victim’s rights; refer a possible violation of a victim’s rights by a judge to the judicial commission; seek appropriate relief on behalf of a crime victim necessary to protect that person’s rights; or seek a forfeiture up to $1,000 against a public officer or agency for intentional violations. The board can also issue reports and recommendations regarding victims’ rights and service provision.

Members serve 4-year terms. The 2 citizen members may not be employed in law enforcement, by a district attorney, or by a county board to provide crime victim’s services. The board was created by 1997 Wisconsin Act 181.

Law Enforcement Standards Board

Members: Joseph Collins (law enforcement representative), chairperson; Christopher Domagalski (law enforcement representative), vice chairperson; Kim Gaffney, Nathan Henriksen, Anna Ruzinski, Michael Steffes, Laura Washer (law enforcement representatives); Jennifer Harper (district attorney); 2 vacancies (local government representatives); Jean Galasinski (public member); Stephen Fitzgerald (designated by secretary of transportation); Brian O’Keefe (designated by attorney general), Todd Schaller (designated by secretary of natural resources). Nonvoting member: G.B. Jones (special agent in charge, Milwaukee FBI Office). (All except ex officio members are appointed by governor.)

Secretary: Brian O’Keefe, administrator, Division of Law Enforcement Services, P.O. Box 7857, Madison 53707-7857.

Statutory References: Sections 15.255 and 165.85.

Agency Responsibility: The 15-member Law Enforcement Standards Board sets minimum employment, education, and training standards for law enforcement, tribal law enforcement, and jail and secure detention officers. It certifies persons who meet professional standards as qualified to be officers. The board consults with other government agencies regarding the development of training schools and courses, conducts research to improve law enforcement and jail administration and performance, and evaluates governmental units’ compliance with standards. Its appointed members serve staggered 4-year terms. The law enforcement representatives must include at least one sheriff and one chief of police. The public member cannot be employed in law enforcement. Chapter 466, Laws of 1969, created the board.

Curriculum Advisory Committee: Mike Hartert, Kurt Heuer, Gregory Leck, John Morrissey, Richard Oliva, Jerry Staniszewski (police chiefs); Ron Cramer, Nathan
DRECKMAN, JOSEPH FATH, WILLIAM GREENING, MARK PODOLL, SAMUEL WOLLIN (sheriffs); GERALD VOIGHT (training director, Wisconsin State Patrol); CLARK PAGEL (training academy director, Wisconsin Technical College System) (police chiefs, sheriffs, and technical college system representative appointed by Law Enforcement Standards Board).

The 14-member Curriculum Advisory Committee advises the Law Enforcement Standards Board on the establishment of curriculum requirements for training of law enforcement, tribal law enforcement, and jail and secure detention officers. The statutes do not stipulate length of terms. Chapter 466, Laws of 1969, created the committee and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 165.85 (3) (d) of the statutes.

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Total Federal Budget: Approximately $265 million annually.

Constitutional References: Article IV, Section 29; Article V, Section 4.

Statutory References: Sections 15.31 and 15.313; Chapters 321, 322, and 323.

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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Military Affairs (DMA) provides an armed military force through the Wisconsin National Guard, which is organized, trained, equipped, and available for deployment under official orders in state and national emergencies. The federal mission of the National Guard is to provide trained units to the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force in time of war or national emergency. Its state mission is to assist civil authorities, protect life and property, and preserve peace, order, and public safety in times of natural or human-caused emergencies.

The Division of Emergency Management, also known as Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM), is headed by a division administrator appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. It coordinates the development and implementation of the state emergency operations plan; provides assistance to local jurisdictions in the development of their programs and plans; administers private and federal disaster and emergency relief funds; administers the Wisconsin Disaster Fund; and maintains the state’s 24-hour duty officer reporting and response system. The division also conducts training programs in emergency planning for businesses and state and local officials, as well as educational programs for the general public. Under Title III of the federal 1986 Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act and 1987 Wisconsin Act 342, the division requires public and private entities that possess hazardous substances to file reports on these substances. It establishes local emergency response committees.
and oversees implementation of their plans and corresponding state plans. The division administers emergency planning performance grants that assist local emergency planning committees in complying with state and federal law. Under the Wisconsin Hazardous Material Response System, the division contracts with 26 hazardous materials teams from municipal fire departments across the state to provide a seamless, timely, uniform, and interoperable response to all types of hazardous materials incidents.

It also coordinates planning and training for off-site radiological emergencies at nuclear power plants in and near Wisconsin. The Emergency Police Services (EPS) program provides support to law enforcement in times of crisis. The program coordinates state law enforcement response to emergencies, including coordination of mutual aid for law enforcement assistance in natural disasters, prison disturbances, and other emergencies. The Emergency Fire Services Coordinator enhances fire service emergency response throughout the state and coordinates intrastate mutual aid through the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS).
The Regional Emergency All-Climate Training (REACT) Center is located at Volk Field and is a statewide specialty training center for first responders and National Guard units.

In 2013, the State Homeland Security Grant program transferred to DMA and is managed by WEM. The program develops the Statewide Homeland Security Strategy, which includes leading efforts to identify gaps in the state's protection, set priorities for use of federal funds, and awarding grants to increase the capacity of first responders and communities to respond, recover from catastrophic events, including terrorist attacks.

The division administrator is appointed by the governor as the state coordinator for the U.S. Department of Defense 1033 Program. The 1033 excess property program allows transfer of excess Department of Defense supplies, vehicles, and equipment to state and local law enforcement agencies for their use in law enforcement.

A key resource within WEM is its system of 6 regional offices located throughout the state. The regional offices are co-located with the Wisconsin State Patrol regional posts in Waukesha, Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, Spooner, and Wausau, and at WEM's central office in Madison. Each office is assigned to work with a group of 8 to 14 counties. Regional directors are knowledgeable in each of the division's programs, and support both municipal and county programs in planning, training, exercising, response and recovery activities, as well as the coordination of administrative activities between the division and local governments. When disasters and emergencies strike, regional directors are the division's initial responders, serving as field liaisons for the State Emergency Operations Center.

**Organization:** The Wisconsin Constitution designates the governor as the commander in chief of the Wisconsin National Guard. The department is directed by the adjutant general, who is appointed by the governor for a 5-year term and may serve successive terms. The adjutant general must be an officer actively serving in the Army or Air National Guard of Wisconsin who has attained at least the rank of colonel and is fully qualified to hold the rank of major general in either the Army or Air National Guard.

In addition to state support, the Wisconsin National Guard is also funded and maintained by the federal government, and when it is called up in an active federal duty status, the president of the United States becomes its commander in chief. The federal government provides arms and ammunition, equipment and uniforms, major outdoor training facilities, pay for military and support personnel, and training and supervision. The state provides personnel; conducts training as required under the National Defense Act; and shares the cost of constructing, maintaining, and operating armories and other military facilities. The composition of Wisconsin Army and Air National Guard units is authorized by the U.S. secretary of defense through the National Guard Bureau. All officers and enlisted personnel must meet the same physical, education, and other eligibility requirements as members of the active-duty U.S. Army or U.S. Air Force.

**History:** Until the 20th century, the United States relied heavily on military units organized by the states to fight its wars. Known as “minutemen” in the American Revolution, state militias, which could be called up on brief notice, provided soldiers for the Revolutionary War, the Mexican War, the Civil War, and the Spanish-American War.

In 1792, the U.S. Congress passed a law that required all able-bodied men between 18 and 45 years of age to serve in local militia units, a provision that was incorporated into the territorial statutes of Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Constitution, as adopted in 1848, authorized the legislature to determine the composition, organization, and discipline of the state militia.

The 1849 Wisconsin Statutes specified the procedure for the organization of locally controlled “uniform companies”. Each uniform company included 30 men who had to equip themselves with arms and uniforms.

By 1858 (Chapter 87), the legislature provided for the organization of the state militia, which ultimately replaced the uniform companies. As commander in chief of the militia, the governor appointed the adjutant general and the general officers and issued commissions to the elected officers of uniform companies. The governor could provide arms for the officers, but they were required to supply their own uniforms and horses. Not until 1873 (Chapter 202) was money appropriated from the general fund to help support militia companies. Chapter 208, Laws of 1879, changed the militia’s name to the Wisconsin National Guard.
Federal supervision of and financial responsibility for the National Guard came with Congressional passage of the Dick Act in 1903. Congress passed the law in response to the lack of uniformity among state units, which became evident during the Spanish-American War and subsequent occupation of the Philippines. The act set standards for Guard units, granted federal aid, and provided for inspections by regular U.S. Army officers.

The National Defense Act of 1933 formally created the National Guard of the United States, a reserve component of the U.S. Army. The act allowed the mobilization of intact National Guard units through their simultaneous dual enlistment as state and federal military forces. This permitted Guard personnel to mobilize for federal duty directly from state status in event of a federal emergency, rather than being discharged to enlist in the federal forces, as was done in World War I. A 1990 U.S. Supreme Court case upheld the authority of the U.S. Congress to send Army National Guard units (under U.S. Army command) out of the country to train for their federal mission.

Wisconsin National Guard troops fought in the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World War I, and World War II. Wisconsin troops from the “Iron Brigade” gained national recognition in the Civil War, and the 32nd “Red Arrow” Infantry Division won fame for its combat record in both World Wars. The Wisconsin Air National Guard became a separate service in 1947, and members of the Wisconsin Air Guard served in the Korean War. Over the past 50 years, Wisconsin units have been called to active federal service on numerous occasions. In 1961, the 32nd Division was activated during the Berlin Crisis. More than 1,400 Guard members from Wisconsin were sent to the Persian Gulf to participate in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm in 1990-91. Beginning in 1996, units were called to support peacekeeping efforts in the Balkans. Wisconsin Air National Guard units were deployed to enforce U.N. no-fly zones in Southwest Asia in the 1990s, and two units were called to support Operation Allied Force, the NATO air operations over Kosovo in 1999.

Within hours of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on America, the Wisconsin National Guard began yet another period of extensive support to U.S. military operations. Air National Guard units in Wisconsin have provided fighter aircraft to patrol the skies over major U.S. cities and critical national infrastructure, tanker aircraft to refuel patrolling fighters and U.S. military aircraft overseas, and critical radar support to North American Aerospace Defense Command and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Wisconsin Army National Guard units began mobilizing into active federal service in December 2001. Since then, nearly every unit in the Wisconsin Army and Air National Guard has been ordered to active duty in support of operations in Afghanistan (Operation Enduring Freedom) and Iraq (Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn), as well as homeland defense missions in the United States (Operation Noble Eagle) and continuing operations in the Balkans. In 2009, nearly 4,000 Wisconsin Guard members deployed in support of the Global War on Terror including 3,200 members of the 32nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team who conducted the largest operational deployment of the Wisconsin National Guard since World War II. Since 2001, nearly 13,000 Wisconsin Guard members have deployed in support of the Global War on Terror.

However, while the soldiers and airmen of the state’s militia continue to deploy overseas and serve in harm’s way when America calls, they remain available to answer the call to service in Wisconsin and throughout the nation when a natural disaster strikes or in response to domestic emergencies. The Wisconsin National Guard has provided domestic support to the citizens of Wisconsin since the 1880s. It has assisted state and local authorities with personnel and equipment during natural disasters such as forest fires, floods, tornadoes, and snowstorms. It has also assisted local authorities in restoring order during periods of civil unrest during the late 1960s and early 1970s, as well as provided support to 25 state institutions during a state employee strike in 1977. The Wisconsin National Guard has provided assistance to other states and nations for such major catastrophic events as Hurricane Katrina and the 2010 Haiti earthquake. The most recent large-scale domestic service of the Wisconsin National Guard occurred in June 2008 when over 1,000 Wisconsin Guard members assisted state and local authorities in the response to widespread flooding across the southern part of the state.
The Division of Emergency Management originated as the Office of Civil Defense, which was developed to administer emergency programs in case of enemy attack and was located in the governor’s office under Chapter 443, Laws of 1951. Its predecessors include the Wisconsin Council of Defense, organized by executive order of Governor Julius P. Heil in 1940, and the State Council on Civil Defense, created in the governor’s office by Chapter 9, Laws of 1943. The 1943 council was abolished in 1945 and its functions transferred to the adjutant general, who was appointed director of the Office of Civil Defense by the governor, as permitted in the 1951 law.
Chapter 628, Laws of 1959, renamed the office the Bureau of Civil Defense and added responsibilities for natural and human-caused disasters. The 1967 executive branch reorganization transferred the bureau to the Department of Local Affairs and Development as the Division of Emergency Government. In Chapter 361, Laws of 1979, the division was transferred to the Department of Administration. The division became part of the Department of Military Affairs in 1989 Wisconsin Act 31 and was renamed by 1995 Wisconsin Act 247. When 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 abolished the State Emergency Response Board, the division assumed the board’s responsibilities pertaining to hazardous chemical substances and spills and the contracts with regional hazardous materials response teams. Since 1997, Wisconsin Emergency Management has coordinated the state’s terrorism preparedness efforts by working to deter, prevent, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks. The Wisconsin Homeland Security Council was initially created in March 2003 (Executive Order 7) and recreated in January 2011 (Executive Order 6) to advise the governor and coordinate the efforts of state and local officials regarding the prevention of, and response to, potential threats to the homeland security of the state.

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**Agency Responsibility:** The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is responsible for implementing state and federal laws that protect and enhance Wisconsin’s natural resources, including its air, land, water, forests, wildlife, fish, and plants. It coordinates the many state-administered programs that protect the environment and provides a full range of outdoor recreational opportunities for Wisconsin residents and visitors.

**Organization:** The 7 members of the Natural Resources Board serve staggered 6-year terms. At least 3 of them must be from the northern part of the state and at least 3 from the southern part. Effective May 1, 2017, at least one member is required to have an agricultural background, and at least 3 members must have held an annual hunting, fishing, or trapping license in at least 7 of the 10 years prior to being nominated. Board members are subject to restrictions on holding DNR permits or depending on permit holders for a significant portion of their income. The board directs and supervises the department and acts as a formal point of contact for citizens.

The department is administered by a secretary appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the department’s division administrators from outside the classified service. The regional directors, who are appointed from the classified service, manage all of the agency’s field operations for their respective areas and report directly to the secretary.

**Unit Functions:** The **Office of Business Support and Sustainability**, in the secretary’s office, is made up of two bureaus that focus on proactive business support, cross-agency coordination with other state agencies, organizational effectiveness, and applied science to support agency decisions. The Bureau of Environmental Analysis and Sustainability (EAS) is responsible for coordinating the regulatory review for all energy and transportation projects statewide, coordinating Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act review and analysis activities for all permit, planning and policy actions of the agency, promoting beyond compliance companies through the flagship Green Tier program and other outreach, serving as proactive business sector specialists working with businesses and associations on environmental performance programs and new projects, and providing outreach through the Small Business Environmental Assistance program. The Bureau of Science Services provides applied scientific research and environmental analyses to inform agency policy and operational decisions on natural resource issues. The program also provides quality laboratory services (analytical chemistry and biological) through the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene and other private contract laboratories.

The **Bureau of Law Enforcement**, in the secretary’s office, is responsible for enforcement of the state’s conservation, hunting, fishing, environmental, and recreational safety laws. Enforcement staff promote safety and compliance with the law through enforcement and educational outreach programs, including classes in hunting, boating, snowmobile and all-terrain vehicle safety, and community involvement programs such as the Learn to Hunt Program. The bureau provides assistance in response, recovery, and mitigation of natural or human made disasters or emergency situations, such as floods, high winds, wildfires, dam outages, spills, and disruption of services.

The **Division of Air, Waste, and Remediation & Redevelopment** protects the state’s air quality and general environmental health through air pollution control, cleanup and redevelopment of contaminated property, and solid and hazardous waste management in cooperation with the federal Environmental Protection Agency, international agencies, local governments, private industry, and citizens. It develops air quality implementation plans, monitors air quality, conducts inspections, operates a permit program, and initiates compliance actions in accordance with state and federal requirements. The division’s waste and materials management program implements Wisconsin’s waste management laws to help ensure adequate waste treatment and disposal capacity for Wisconsin citizens and businesses; efficiently regulates waste, materials,
and mining facilities to minimize their impact on human health and the environment; implements waste and recycling laws to minimize waste, conserve energy, and make productive use of material resources; and ensures Wisconsin citizens and businesses have the knowledge, opportunity, and mechanisms to safely and economically minimize, reuse, recycle, manage, and dispose of the waste and materials/byproducts they generate. The division’s remediation and redevelopment program is responsible for the cleanup and redevelopment of contaminated sites that fall under the following legislation: the hazardous substances spills law, the environmental repair law, the abandoned container law, the federal Superfund and Brownfields laws, the state land recycling law, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The remediation and redevelopment program also responds to emergency contamination incidents.

The Division of Customer and Employee Services provides a variety of customer services including the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, boat, ATV, and snowmobile registration, environmental education programs, and public information. It oversees distribution of financial aids for environmental programs that benefit local governments and nonprofit conservation organizations, such as the Clean Water Fund and the Stewardship Fund, and acts as liaison to federal and state agencies. The division also provides a variety of management services for the department, including budgetary and financial services, personnel and human resource management, computer and information technology support, affirmative action, employee assistance, training, and telecommunication services.

The Division of Forestry, created by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, is responsible for the administration and implementation of programs that protect and manage the state’s forest resources in a sustainable manner so as to provide economic, ecological, social, recreational, and cultural benefits. The division is involved with the management of about 17 million acres of public and private forest land and millions of urban trees in the state. All of the 1.5 million acres of DNR state land were certified by 2009 as sustainably managed by third party auditors from the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC) and Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI). More than 2.35 million acres of county forest lands, which DNR works in partnership with 29 counties to manage, were certified in 2005, as were almost 2 million acres of private lands managed under the Managed Forest Law program. By 2014, 6.5 million acres of state, county, and private forests were certified to the FSC®, SFI®, or American Tree Farm System. Foresters provide assistance to private woodlot owners; offer expertise in urban forestry; manage and monitor forest insects and diseases; operate a tree nursery; provide public education and awareness activities; and work in partnership with local governments, the timber industry, environmental groups, and recreation interests. The division administers grants and loans to county forests, urban forestry grants to communities, forest landowner grants to woodland owners, and forest fire protection grants to fire departments. The fire management program is responsible for forest fire protection on 18 million acres of forest, brush, and grassland and coordinates with local fire departments to prevent and control forest fires.

The Division of Land has major responsibility for protecting and conserving the state’s biological diversity and providing nature-based recreational opportunities. The division administers programs related to wildlife; state lands, parks, trails, southern forests, and recreation areas; rare and endangered animal and plant species, and natural communities; and outdoor recreational resources. The division operates educational programs and helps private landowners manage their lands for the benefit of wildlife and rare resources. It manages wildlife and habitats on about 1.5 million acres of land owned or leased by the state and works with federal, county, and other local government authorities to protect and manage the resources on an additional 3.6 million acres of public lands, including national and county forests. The wildlife program manages populations such as deer, bear, furbearers, waterfowl and birds, and maintains and restores habitats such as wetlands, grasslands, and prairies. The natural heritage conservation program conserves Wisconsin’s rare and declining species and natural communities through the State Natural Areas program and the species management program work that is supported primarily by funds derived from voluntary contributions designated by taxpayers on their state income tax returns and through purchase of the Endangered Resources license plate. The natural heritage conservation program also supports ecosystem management decision-making and program integration in the department through the Citizen-Based Monitoring Program, the Natural Heritage
Inventory Program, and the Aquatic and Terrestrial Resources inventory. Parks personnel manage the state’s extensive parks, southern forests, recreation areas, and trails systems, including the Ice Age and North Country National Scenic Trails, which are designed for the conservation of natural resources and a wide variety of recreational activities including biking, hiking, snowmobiling, and camping. The division is also responsible for land acquisition for parks, trails, southern forests, recreation areas, wildlife areas, fishery areas, natural areas, and other state wildlife-related recreation lands, as well as property planning and the development of public use facilities on state lands. It coordinates the Stewardship Program, which provides grants for the purchase of lands for natural and recreational areas, wildlife habitats, urban green spaces, local parks, trails, and riverways.

The Division of Water works with many partners to protect public health and safety, and the quality and quantity of Wisconsin’s groundwater, surface water, and aquatic ecosystems. The division is responsible for implementing the Clean Water Act in order to achieve the goal of fishable and swimmable waters throughout Wisconsin. Division staff works to prevent or regulate water pollution from industries, municipal sewage treatment facilities, construction sites, large farms, and urban areas. The division monitors compliance, sets water quality standards, and provides financial and technical assistance. Division programs protect drinking water and groundwater resources for both human and ecosystem health, and ensure the safety and security of the state’s drinking water systems and private wells. The division strives to enhance and restore outstanding fisheries in Wisconsin’s waters. It regulates sport and commercial fishing through licensing and provides fish hatchery services, fish stocking and surveying, aquatic habitat improvement, angler education, and public access programs. The division helps protect the waters of the state that are held in trust for all the people of the state through the Public Trust Doctrine. Division staff oversees the placement of structures in state waters, wetland management and restoration, shoreland zoning, and floodplain management. The division helps local government units to protect lives and property through floodplain management and dam safety inspections. The division cooperates with many states and Canada to protect the water quality, quantity, and ecosystems of the Mississippi River and Great Lakes basins. The division also houses the Office of Great Lakes, which is responsible for restoring five designated Areas of Concern (AOC) in and along the Great Lakes.

The Field Regions enable the department to make its programs accessible to the general public. (Most DNR field staff work within county assignments.) This structure combines employees with different types of expertise into interdisciplinary teams responsible for assessing natural resource and environmental needs from a broader perspective.

History: Today, the Department of Natural Resources has dual responsibility for both traditional conservation duties and environmental protection. Its history and structure reflect more than a century of government and citizen involvement with these concerns. Wisconsin’s earliest conservation legislation focused on fish, game, and forests. Chapter 253, Laws of 1874, created a Board of Fish Commissioners charged with hatching fish eggs received from the federal government and distributing the fry to Wisconsin waters. The governor was authorized in 1885 by Chapter 455 to appoint 3 fish wardens to enforce fishing regulations and collect statistics from commercial fishermen. Chapter 456, Laws of 1887, directed the governor to appoint 4 game wardens to enforce all laws protecting fish and game.

Chapter 229, Laws of 1897, established a 3-member commission to develop legislation creating a forestry department. The commission was directed to devise ways to use the state’s forest resources without harming the climate or water supplies and to preserve forest resources without retarding the state’s economic development. The report of this commission led to Chapter 450, Laws of 1903, which established a Department of State Forestry with a superintendent appointed by the Board of State Forest Commissioners. Chapter 495, Laws of 1907, created a State Park Board with authority to acquire and manage land for park purposes.

Chapter 406, Laws of 1915, consolidated all park and conservation functions under a 3-member Conservation Commission of Wisconsin, appointed by the governor with senate approval. From then until 1995, the management and conservation of Wisconsin’s natural resources was directed by a part-time commission or board, except for the period 1923 to 1927, when a single full-time commissioner was created by Chapter 118, Laws of 1923, to head the Department of
Conservation. Since the enactment of 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, which provided that the secretary would be appointed by the governor with senate consent rather than appointed by the board, the current board’s role has been an advisory one.

The 1960s saw major changes in conservation legislation. Chapter 427, Laws of 1961, created a committee charged with developing a long-range plan for acquiring and improving outdoor recreation areas. It initiated the Outdoor Recreation Act Program (ORAP) to fund land acquisitions. In 1969, Chapter 353 expanded ORAP and authorized the state to incur debt up to $56 million between 1969 and 1981 for the purpose of providing outdoor recreation opportunities. With enactment of 1989 Wisconsin Act 31, the legislature created the Stewardship Program, which authorized up to $250 million in state debt to acquire and develop land for recreational uses, wildlife habitats, fisheries, and natural areas.

Wisconsin’s antipollution efforts date back to Chapter 412, Laws of 1911, when the legislature gave the State Board of Health investigative powers in water pollution cases. Prior to that, such investigations were primarily the responsibility of local government. In Chapter 264, Laws of 1927, the legislature created a committee to supervise the water pollution control activities carried out by several state agencies, including the Conservation Commission. The Department of Resource Development, which had been created by Chapter 442, Laws of 1959, assumed water pollution control duties under Chapter 614, Laws of 1965, and statewide air pollution regulation with Chapter 83, Laws of 1967.

In the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the legislature created the Department of Natural Resources by combining the Department of Conservation and the Department of Resource Development. The new department was given authority to regulate air and water quality, as well as solid waste disposal, and directed to develop an integrated program to protect air, land, and water resources.

Chapter 274, Laws of 1971, required all state agencies to report on the environmental impacts of proposed actions that could significantly affect environmental quality. Chapter 275, Laws of 1971, provided for state protection of endangered fish and wildlife, and Chapter 370, Laws of 1977, placed nongame species and endangered wild plants under state protection. A program protecting surface waters from nonpoint source pollution was created by Chapter 418, Laws of 1977, and a groundwater protection program, based on numerical standards for polluting substances, was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 410. In Wisconsin Act 335, the 1989 Legislature made major changes in the laws governing recycling, source reduction, and disposal of solid wastes.

Statutory Board and Councils

Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Council: Brett Donaldson, Richard W. Klinke, Thomas McKay (representing dry cleaning operations); Kevin Braden (wholesale distributor of dry cleaning solvent); Jeanne Tarvin (engineer, professional geologist, hydrologist, or soil scientist); Jim Fitzgerald (manufacturer or seller of dry cleaning equipment) (appointed by governor).

The 6-member Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Council advises the department on matters related to the Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program, which is administered by DNR and provides awards to dry cleaning establishments for assistance in the investigation and cleanup of environmental contamination. Council members are appointed for staggered 3-year terms. The council, which is scheduled to sunset on June 30, 2032, was created by 1997 Wisconsin Act 27, as amended by 1997 Wisconsin Act 300 and by 2013 Wisconsin Act 69. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (2) and 292.65 (13) of the statutes.

Council on Forestry: Paul DeLong (chief state forester); Senators Tiffany, vacancy; Representatives Mursau, vacancy; Tom Hittle (forest products company which owns and manages large forest land tracts representative); Richard Wedepohl (owners of nonindustrial, private forest land representative); Jane Severt (counties containing county forests representative); Jim Hoppe (paper and pulp industry representative); Troy Brown (lumber industry representative); Matt Dallman (nonprofit conservation organization representative); Kimberly Quast (forester who provides consultation services); Mark Rickenbach (school of forestry representative); vacancy (conservation education representative); vacancy
The 20-member Council on Forestry advises the governor, the legislature, the Department of Natural Resources, and other state agencies on topics relating to forestry in Wisconsin including: protection from fire, insects, and disease; sustainable forestry; reforestation and forestry genetics; management and protection of urban forests; increasing the public’s knowledge and awareness of forestry issues; forestry research; economic development and marketing of forestry products; legislation affecting forestry; and staff and funding needs for forestry programs. The council shall submit a biennial report on the status of the state’s forestry resources and industry to the governor and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature by June 1 of each odd-numbered year. All members are appointed by the governor. Lengths of terms are not specified by law. The council was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 109. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (19) and 26.02 of the statutes.

Managed Forest Land Board.

The 5-member Managed Forest Land Board administers the program established by the Department of Natural Resources to award grants to nonprofit conservation organizations, to local governmental units, and to the department to acquire land, including conservations easements on land, to be used for hunting, fishing, hiking, sightseeing, and cross-country skiing. The department consults with the board to promulgate administrative rules establishing requirements for awarding grants. Appointed board members serve 3-year terms. The board was created by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.345 (6) and 77.895 of the statutes.

Metallic Mining Council: Inactive.

The 9-member Metallic Mining Council advises the department on matters relating to the reclamation of mined land. Its members are appointed by the secretary of natural resources for staggered 3-year terms, and they are expected to represent “a variety and balance of economic, scientific, and environmental viewpoints.” The council was created by Chapter 377, Laws of 1977, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (12) and 289.08 of the statutes.

Milwaukee River Revitalization Council: Inactive.

The 13-member Milwaukee River Revitalization Council advises the legislature, governor, and department on matters related to environmental, recreational, and economic revitalization of the Milwaukee River Basin, and it assists local governments in planning and implementing projects. It is also responsible for developing and implementing a plan that encourages multiple recreational, entrepreneurial, and cultural activities along the streams of the Milwaukee River Basin. Its 11 appointed members serve 3-year terms. Each of the priority watersheds in the basin must be represented by at least one council member. The council was created by 1987 Wisconsin Act 399, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (15) and 23.18 of the statutes.

Natural Areas Preservation Council: JAMES P. BENNETT (representing University of Wisconsin System, appointed by board of regents), chairperson; JAMES W. PERRY (appointed by council of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters), vice chairperson; ERIN E. CRAIN (representing Department of Natural Resources, appointed by the board of natural resources), secretary; ERIC M. ANDERSON, THOMAS L. EDDY (appointed by council of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters); DAVID W. SAMPLE (representing Department of Natural Resources, appointed by the board of natural resources); KENNETH R. BRADBURY, SHARON L. DUNWOODY, PATRICK ROBINSON (representing University of Wisconsin System, appointed by board of regents); VICTORIA J. RYDBERG (representing the Department of Public Instruction, appointed by the state superintendent of public instruction); ELLEN CENSKY (representing Milwaukee Public Museum, appointed by MPM board of directors).
The 11-member Natural Areas Preservation Council advises the department on matters pertaining to the protection of natural areas that contain native biotic communities and habitats for rare species. It also makes recommendations about gifts or purchases for the state natural areas system. The council was created by Chapter 566, Laws of 1951, as the State Board for Preservation of Scientific Areas. It was renamed the Scientific Areas Preservation Council in Chapter 327, Laws of 1961, and given its current name in 1985 Wisconsin Act 29. One of the appointments from the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters must represent private colleges in the state. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (4) and 23.26 of the statutes.

Nonmotorized Recreation and Transportation Trails Council: Rod Bartlow, William Hauda, Dana Johnson, Anne Murphy, Joel Patenaude, Debbie Peterson, David Phillips, Geoffrey Snudden, Blake Thiesen (appointed by governor).

The Nonmotorized Recreation and Transportation Trails Council carries out studies and advises the governor, the legislature, and the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Transportation on matters related to nonmotorized recreation and transportation trails. The size of the council is not specified. Council members are appointed by the governor to serve at the pleasure of the governor. Membership is to represent geographic diversity and to consist of those who personally undertake nonmotorized activities or who participate in organizations that own or maintain nonmotorized trails or that promote nonmotorized trail activities. Members should be appointed to represent as many as possible of the following groups: pedestrians; persons who represent local forests or parks; persons who are interested in tourism promotion; persons who represent tribal lands; persons with physical disabilities; persons who engage in nature-based activities such as bird watching, nature study, hunting, and fishing; and persons.

On June 6, 2015, National Trails Day, Wisconsin celebrated the 50th anniversary of the rails to trails program in the state. Wisconsin was the first state to convert an abandoned railroad corridor into a recreational trail – the Elroy-Sparta State Trail – in 1965. Since then, Wisconsin has developed an additional 40 state trails (36 of them rail trails) extending more than 2,000 miles. Fifty riders starting from each of the five communities along the trail joined a celebratory ride to a rededication of the trail at the historic depot and trail headquarters in Kendall. (Department of Natural Resources)
who engage in activities on water trails, horseback riding or buggy driving, long-distance hiking, snow sports, and bicycling. The council was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 394 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (20) and 23.177 of the statutes.

**Off-Road Vehicle Council:** Rob McConnell, chairperson; Dave Traczky, vice chairperson; Adam Harden, Bryan Much, Ernie Pulvermacher, Bill Schumann, Jim Wisneski (appointed by governor).

The 7-member Off-Road Vehicle Council advises the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Transportation, the governor, and the legislature on all matters relating to all-terrain vehicle trails and routes. Council members are appointed by the governor for staggered 3-year terms ending on March 1. Each member shall be a member and represent the interests of an all-terrain vehicle or utility terrain vehicle user’s group and be knowledgeable about outdoor recreation issues in Wisconsin. The council was created by 2013 Wisconsin Act 16 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (9) and 23.178 of the statutes.

**Small Business Environmental Council:** vacancy (appointed by senate president); Richard Klinke (appointed by assembly speaker); Shane Lauterbach (appointed by senate minority leader); Vince Ruffolo (appointed by assembly minority leader); Mark Aquino (appointed by secretary of natural resources); Andre Jacque, Amy Litscher, J.D. Tripoli (representing general public and appointed by governor).

The 8-member Small Business Environmental Council advises the Department of Natural Resources on the effectiveness of assistance programs to small businesses that enable them to comply with the federal Clean Air Act. It also advises on the fairness and effectiveness of air pollution rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the impact on small businesses. Members are appointed to 3-year terms. The 4 members appointed by legislative officers must own or represent owners of small business stationary air pollution sources. The 3 members appointed by the governor may not own or represent small business stationary sources. The council was created by 1991 Wisconsin Act 302, and it was transferred from the Department of Commerce to the Department of Natural Resources by 2011 Wisconsin Act 32. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (8) and 285.795 of the statutes.

**Snowmobile Recreational Council:** Beverly Dittmar (northern representative), chairperson; Larry Erickson (northern representative), vice chairperson; Gary Hilgendorn, Robert Lang, Andrew Malecki, Jr., Dale Mayo, Steve Moran, Dave Newman, Michelle Voight (northern representatives); Thomas Chwala, Matt Harter, Mike Holden, Samuel Landes, Dan Timmerman, Lee Van Zeeland (southern representatives). (All are appointed by governor with senate consent.)

The 15-member Snowmobile Recreational Council carries out studies and makes recommendations to the governor, the legislature, and the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Transportation regarding all matters affecting snowmobiling. Council members are appointed for staggered 3-year terms. At least 5 must represent the northern part of the state, and at least 5 must represent the southern part. The council was created by Chapter 277, Laws of 1971, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (7) and 350.14 of the statutes.

**Sporting Heritage Council:** Kurt Thiede (designated by secretary of natural resources), chairperson; William Torhorst (appointed by governor); Senators Tiffany, Wirch; Representatives Milroy, vacancy; Ralph Fritsch (representing deer hunters); Mike Rogers (representing bear hunters); Mark LaBarbera (representing bird hunters); Benjamin Gruber (representing anglers); Scott Zimmerman (representing furbearing animal hunters and trappers); Rob Bohmann (Conservation Congress member).

The 12-member Sporting Heritage Council advises the governor, the legislature, and the natural resources board about issues relating to hunting, trapping, fishing, and other types of outdoor recreation activities, including ways improve the recruitment and retention of hunters, trappers, and anglers; to improve the management and protection of natural resources; ways to promote and implement youth outdoor recreation activities; and ways to improve access to public and private land and lakes. It is required to submit a biennial report on the status of the recruitment
and retention of hunters, trappers, and anglers to the governor, the legislature, and the chairperson of the natural resources board by July 1 of each even-numbered year. Five members are appointed by the natural resources board from nominations provided by sporting organizations that have as their primary objective the promotion of hunting, fishing, or trapping, with one member each representing the interests of deer hunters, bear hunters, bird hunters, anglers, and fur-bearing animal hunters and trappers. Members other than the secretary of natural resources (or designee) are appointed for 3-year terms. The council was created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 168 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (21) and 29.036 of the statutes.

State Trails Council: Bryan Much, chairperson; John Siegert, vice chairperson; Luana Schneider, secretary; Randy Harden, Doug Johnson, Phil Johnsrud, Mike McFadzen, Ken Neitzke, Robbie Webber, James White, vacancy (appointed by governor).

The 11-member State Trails Council advises the department about the planning, acquisition, development, and management of state trails. Its members are appointed for 4-year terms. It was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 31, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (16) and 23.175 (2) (c) of the statutes. 2011 Wisconsin Act 104 added two members and required that they be knowledgeable, and engage in, one or more of the various recreational uses of trails.

Independent Organization — Conservation Congress

Conservation Congress Executive Council: Rick Olson, Joe Weiss (District 1); Allan Brown, David Larson (District 2); Ed Choinski, Mike Riggle (District 3); Bob Ellingson, Ronn Krueger, Sr. (District 4); Kevin Smaby, Al Suchla (District 5); Stan Brownell, Scott Pitta (District 6); Dale Maas, Arlyn Splitt (District 7); Larry Bonde, Stausch Gruszynski (District 8); Lee Fahrney, Mike Rogers (District 9); Jayne Meyer, Ken Risley (District 10); Robert Bohmann, Allen Shook (District 11); Jacob Janowski, Adam Kassulke (District 12).

The Conservation Congress is a 360-member publicly elected citizen advisory group, and its 24-member executive council advises the Natural Resources Board on all matters under the board’s jurisdiction. The Conservation Congress is organized into 12 districts statewide. Each district elects 2 members to one-year terms on the executive council. The congress originated in 1934 and received statutory recognition in Chapter 179, Laws of 1971. Its duties are prescribed in Section 15.348 of the statutes.

Advisory Units Authorized by Section 15.04 (1)(c) of the Statutes

Fire Department Advisory Council.

The Fire Department Advisory Council (FDAC) was chartered in 1994 as an official advisory council to the state forester. The purpose of the FDAC is to strengthen partnerships between the Department of Natural Resources and the rural fire service in Wisconsin. The FDAC advises and assists the state forester on operational issues related to the department’s forest fire management program to provide for an effective rural community fire protection program. In addition, the FDAC provides fundamental guidance on the Forest Fire Protection Grant administration. Membership of the FDAC includes 12 members reflecting diverse statewide geographic representation appointed by the department secretary. All levels of forest fire protection are represented (intensive, extensive, cooperative) along with representatives of the Wisconsin State Firefighter’s Association and the Wisconsin Fire Chief’s Association.

Urban Forestry Council.

The 28-member Urban Forestry Council is composed of at least 21 appointed, voting members, and 4 ex officio nonvoting members. The council advises the state forester and the Department of Natural Resources on the best ways to preserve, protect, expand, and improve Wisconsin’s urban and community forest resources. The council gives awards for outstanding individuals, organizations, and communities that further urban forestry in Wisconsin. Members are appointed by the department secretary. Appointed council members serve 3-year terms. Council composition and duties are prescribed in the bylaws of the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council.
INDEPENDENT UNITS ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

GROUNDWATER COORDINATING COUNCIL

Groundwater Coordinating Council: RUSSELL RASMUSSEN (designated by secretary of natural resources), chairperson; vacancy (designated by secretary of safety and professional services), JOHN PETTY (designated by secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection), HENRY ANDERSON (designated by secretary of health services), DAN SCUDDER (designated by secretary of transportation), JAMES HURLEY (designated by president, UW System), JAMES ROBERTSON (state geologist), STEVE DIERCKS (representing governor).

Statutory References: Sections 15.347 (13) and 160.50.

Agency Responsibility: The 8-member Groundwater Coordinating Council advises state agencies on the coordination of nonregulatory programs related to groundwater management. Member agencies exchange information regarding groundwater monitoring, budgets for groundwater programs, data management, public information efforts, laboratory analyses, research, and state appropriations for research. The council reports annually to the legislature, governor, and agencies represented regarding the council’s activities and recommendations and its assessment of the current state of groundwater resources and related management programs. Persons designated to serve on behalf of their agency heads must be agency employees with “sufficient authority to deploy agency resources and directly influence agency decision making.” The governor’s representative serves a 4-year term. The council was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 410.

INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL

Invasive Species Council: JACK SULLIVAN (designated by secretary of natural resources); TRAVIS OLSON (designated by secretary of administration); BRIAN KUHN (designated by secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection); DANIELLE JOHNSON (designated by secretary of tourism); TODD MATHESON (designated by secretary of transportation); THOMAS BRESSNER, JAMES KERKMAN, GREGORY LONG, PATRICIA MORTON, KENNETH RAFFA, JAMES REINARTZ, PAUL SCHUMACHER (appointed by governor).

The 12-member Invasive Species Council conducts studies related to controlling invasive species and makes recommendations to the Department of Natural Resources regarding a system for classifying invasive species under the department’s statewide invasive species control program and procedures for awarding grants to public and private agencies engaged in projects to control invasive species. All except ex officio members or their designees are appointed by the governor to 5-year terms to represent public and private interests affected by the presence of invasive species in the state. The council was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 109. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.347 (18) and 23.22 of the statutes.

LAKE MICHIGAN COMMERCIAL FISHING BOARD

Lake Michigan Commercial Fishing Board: CHARLES W. HENRIKSEN, RICHARD R. JOHNSON, MICHAEL LECLAIR, MARK MARICQUE, DEAN SWAER (licensed, active commercial fishers); NEIL A. SCHWARZ (licensed, active wholesale fish dealer); DAN PAWLITZKE (state citizen). (All are appointed by governor.)

Statutory References: Sections 15.345 (3) and 29.33 (7).

Agency Responsibility: The 7-member Lake Michigan Commercial Fishing Board was created by Chapter 418, Laws of 1977. Its members must live in counties contiguous to Lake Michigan. The 5 commercial fishers must represent fisheries in specific geographic areas. The board reviews applications for transfers of commercial fishing licenses between individuals, establishes criteria for allotting catch quotas to individual licensees, assigns catch quotas when the department establishes special harvest limits, and assists the department in establishing criteria for identifying inactive license holders.
LAKE SUPERIOR COMMERCIAL FISHING BOARD
Lake Superior Commercial Fishing Board: Maurine Halvorson, Craig Hoopman, vacancy (licensed, active commercial fishers); Jeff Bodin (licensed, active wholesale fish dealer); vacancy (state citizen). (All are appointed by governor.)

Statutory References: Sections 15.345 (2) and 29.33 (7).

Agency Responsibility: The 5-member Lake Superior Commercial Fishing Board was created by Chapter 418, Laws of 1977. Its members must live in counties contiguous to Lake Superior. The board reviews applications for transfers of commercial fishing licenses between individuals, establishes criteria for allotting catch quotas to individual licensees, assigns catch quotas when the department establishes special harvest limits, and assists the department in establishing criteria for identifying inactive license holders.

COUNCIL ON RECYCLING

Statutory References: Sections 15.347 (17) and 159.22.

Agency Responsibility: The 7 members of the Council on Recycling are appointed to 4-year terms that coincide with that of the governor. The council, which was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 335, promotes implementation of the state’s solid waste reduction, recovery, and recycling programs; helps public agencies coordinate programs and exchange information; advises state agencies about creating administrative rules and establishing priorities for market

Wisconsin is a national and international leader in sturgeon protection, restoration, and research, a reputation built since Wisconsin started regulating sturgeon harvest on the Winnebago system in 1903. Here state fisheries biologists inject an electronic microchip, called PIT tag, into fish DNR collects during spring spawning surveys on the Wolf River. The information gathered through this modern tagging technique allows DNR to more easily and accurately track individual fish and their age, key information to calculate growth, mortality and exploitation rates, and other vital information for sound management. (Department of Natural Resources)
development; and advises the DNR and the UW System about education and research related to solid waste recycling. The council also promotes a regional and interstate marketing system for recycled materials and reports to the legislature about market development and research to encourage recycling. The council advises the department about statewide public information activities and advises the governor and the legislature.

**WISCONSIN WATERWAYS COMMISSION**

**Wisconsin Waterways Commission:** James F. Rooney (Lake Michigan area), chairperson; Roger Walsh (inland area), vice chairperson; David Kedrowski (Lake Superior area), Maureen Kinney (Mississippi River area), Lee Van Zeeland (Lake Winnebago watershed).

(All are appointed by governor with Senate consent.)

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**Statutory References:** Sections 15.345 (1) and 30.92.

**Agency Responsibility:** The 5-member Wisconsin Waterways Commission was created by Chapter 274, Laws of 1977. Its members serve staggered 5-year terms, and each must represent a specific geographic area and be knowledgeable about that area’s recreational water use problems. The commission may have studies conducted to determine the need for recreational boating facilities; approve financial aid to local governments for development of recreational boating projects, including the acquisition of weed harvesters; and recommend administrative rules for the recreational facilities boating program.

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Statutory References: Section 15.78; Chapter 977.

Agency Responsibility: The Office of the State Public Defender makes determinations of indigence and provides legal representation for persons in specified types of proceedings who are unable to afford a private attorney. The state public defender, who must be a member of the state bar, serves at the pleasure of the Public Defender Board.

Organization: The 9-member Public Defender Board appoints the state public defender, promulgates rules for determining indigence, and establishes procedures for certifying lists of private attorneys who can be assigned as counsel. Board members are appointed for staggered 3-year terms, and at least 5 of these must be members of the State Bar of Wisconsin. Members may not be or be employed by a judicial or law enforcement officer, a district attorney, a corporation counsel, or the state public defender.

Unit Functions: The Appellate Division uses both program staff and private attorneys to provide post-judgement legal representation to the indigent and minors in criminal, civil commitment, juvenile code, and children’s code cases in the trial and appellate courts.

The Assigned Counsel Division oversees a variety of functions related to appointment of private attorneys to represent indigent clients in cases not handled by staff, including certification and training, logistical support, and payment of fees.

The Trial Division provides legal representation at the trial level to indigent persons who have been charged with adult felony crimes or misdemeanors punishable by imprisonment. It also represents minors charged with juvenile offenses, persons subject to a petition for civil commitment, and individuals involved in termination of parental rights.

History: Both the United States Constitution (Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments) and the Wisconsin Constitution (Article I, Section 7), as interpreted by the U.S. and Wisconsin Supreme Courts, guarantee the right to publicly-provided counsel for poor people charged with crimes or facing potential deprivations of liberty. In 1859, the Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled, in Carpenter and Sprague v. the County of Dane (9 Wis. 274), that a county is liable to pay for an attorney provided by the court in a criminal case to represent an indigent defendant who cannot otherwise afford representation.

The position of state public defender was created in 1966 by Chapter 479, Laws of 1965, under the supervision of the Wisconsin Supreme Court and funded, in part, by a private grant from the Ford Foundation. The duties of the office were originally confined to appellate defense, and its mission was to pursue post-conviction appeals for indigents before the appropriate courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court. Defense of indigents at the trial court level remained a county responsibility, dependent upon court-appointed private counsel paid by the county or privately funded public defender services.

Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, transferred the state public defender from the judicial branch to the executive branch as an independent agency under the Public Defender Board, which was authorized to appoint the defender to a 5-year renewable term with removal only for cause. (Chapter 356, Laws of 1979, later provided that the public defender serve at the pleasure of the board.) Chapter 29 also transferred the responsibility for defense of indigents at the trial level from the counties to the public defender’s office, but representation by the defender’s staff was limited, based on funding and statutory criteria. Client representation was, and continues to be, divided between staff attorneys and private counsel paid by the public defender.

Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, directed the public defender to determine the percentage of cases that private counsel would handle in each county. Chapter 356, Laws of 1979, established those percentages by law with the public defender staff assuming various portions of the caseloads in 47 counties and private counsel responsible for all cases in the remaining 25 counties. 1985 Wisconsin Act 29 expanded the use of public defender staff attorneys to all 72 counties and repealed the sunset provision enacted in 1979, which would have abolished the agency, effective November 15, 1985.

1995 Wisconsin Act 27 directed the public defender to enter into annual fixed fee contracts with private counsel and limited the number of trial-level cases assigned to private attorneys to
one-third of all cases handled. It also eliminated public defender representation in some cases, including certain matters related to prison and jail conditions, sentence modifications, probation and parole revocations, child support, and parents of children in need of protection or services (CHIPS).

2009 Wisconsin Act 164 revised the financial criteria for public defender representation and provided for additional staff positions to provide services to 75% of the additional clients who will qualify for representation. Act 164 was designed to reduce the number of cases in which the courts appoint an attorney at county expense and to enhance consistency in appointment of attorneys statewide.

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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Public Instruction provides direction and technical assistance for public elementary and secondary education in Wisconsin. The department offers a broad range of programs and professional services to local school administrators and staff. It distributes state school aids and administers federal aids to supplement local tax resources, improves curriculum and school operations, ensures education for children with disabilities, offers professional guidance and counseling, and develops school and public library resources.

Organization: The department is headed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, a constitutional officer who is elected on the nonpartisan spring ballot for a term of 4 years. The state superintendent appoints a deputy state superintendent and assistant state superintendents from outside the classified service. The assistant superintendents are responsible for administering the operating divisions of the department. The superintendent also appoints the director of the Office of Educational Accountability, which was created in Section 15.374 (1), Wisconsin Statutes, by 1993 Wisconsin Act 16.

Unit Functions: The Division for Academic Excellence (DAE) provides leadership and professional development regarding curriculum development, academic and technical skills standards, and instructional methods and strategies, as well as professional learning and support to a variety of content area educators. The division is comprised of five teams: Career and Technical Education; Content and Learning; Educator Effectiveness; Literacy and Mathematics; and Teacher Education, Professional Development and Licensing. A service orientation and culturally responsive view guide the teams’ work to provide technical assistance to educators, parents, communities, and professional organizations.
The division reviews and approves educator preparation programs and licenses teachers, pupil services personnel, administrators, and library professionals. The division monitors school district and vocational education compliance with state nondiscrimination laws and rules.

The division administers a variety of programs that provide assistance and grants to public school students and teachers on the basis of merit and need, as well as provides consultation and leadership for multicultural education. These programs include: American Indian Studies Program, American Indian Language and Culture Education, Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Award Program, Presidential Awards for Mathematics and Science Teachers, U.S. Senate Youth Program, Urban Teacher World Program, as well as international partnerships with Germany, China, Japan, Thailand, and France. DAE also directs youth options, education for employment, the career and technical student organizations, and administers the high school equivalency/general educational development (HSED/GED) program for state residents who have not completed high school.

DAE administers federal programs that provide assistance for world languages, advanced placement, and alternative education. The division administers funds for school districts under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 to enhance and improve career and technical educational programs. DAE also administers part of the state and federally funded Bilingual/English as a Second Language Program.

The division provides a cradle-to-career focus for instructional leaders and educators through work done by the Office of Early Learning and by providing standards and supports through high school and the transition to postsecondary work. The division curates and creates high quality resources to assist with standards implementation. Resources and technical assistance are provided around career and technical education standards and other core academic standards. Gifted and Talented education support can also be found in the Division for Academic Excellence.

The division is leading efforts to develop and implement a statewide educator effectiveness system, where all educators will be evaluated based upon multiple measures. This complex system factors in educator practice and student performance in providing feedback to educators around their strengths and areas for improvement.

The Division for Finance and Management distributes state and federal school aids and grants; administers school district revenue limits; administers the Milwaukee, Racine, and Statewide Parental Choice Programs, federal charter school grant program, and the interdistrict open enrollment program; prescribes school financial accounting methods; consults with school districts on their budgets; and collects, analyzes, and publishes school finance data. Consulting services are provided to assist districts and charter schools with management and planning, school district reorganization, pupil transportation, private school relations, school board elections and duties, and finance and asset management. The division is responsible for both state and federally funded school food and nutrition services, child care food services, and elderly nutrition programs. It also provides support services to the department for financial management, human resources, budget preparation, educational policy and administrative rule development, and legislative analysis.

The Division for Learning Support, created in Section 15.373 (1), Wisconsin Statutes, as the Division for Handicapped Children by Chapter 327, Laws of 1967, formerly named in 1993 Wisconsin Act 335, as the Division for Learning Support: Equity and Advocacy, and most recently renamed in 2011 Wisconsin Act 158, provides technical assistance, leadership, advocacy, staff development, training, and education to help meet the diverse cultural, emotional, social, health, and educational needs of Wisconsin’s youth. The mission is met through collaboration with federal, state, and local groups. The division manages state and federal resources, monitors and evaluates programs and practices, and facilitates school-district and community efforts to meet specific needs of students. The division administers programs involving school nursing, social work, psychological services, and school counseling services; alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse; suicide prevention; alcohol and traffic safety; school-age parents; school violence prevention; prevention of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases; pregnancy prevention; health education; physical education and activity; coordinated school health programs; compulsory school attendance; and after-school programs.
The division offers technical assistance and financial support to help school districts provide a free appropriate public education for students with disabilities, combat educational discrimination, and train professional staff. It is responsible for special educational programs and services for students with disabilities. It must ensure that all students with disabilities are identified, evaluated, and provided appropriate education and services. It supervises all special education programs and checks their compliance with departmental standards and state and federal law. The division provides consultation for and supervision of the Pupil Nondiscrimination Program.

The division administers the Wisconsin Educational Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WESP-DHH) and the Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (WCBVI). Each program operates a residential school for state residents who are ages 3 to 21, have a visual or hearing impairment, and need individualized instruction. Both schools provide academic and vocational education on site at no cost to families. Both programs also offer instructional and technical assistance, teaching materials, and evaluations of pupils to local school districts and other agencies.

The Division for Libraries and Technology (DLT), created as the Division for Library Services in Section 15.373 (2), Wisconsin Statutes, by Chapter 327, Laws of 1967, renamed as the Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning in 2001 Wisconsin Act 48, and most recently renamed the Division for Libraries and Technology in 2011 Wisconsin Act 158, provides assistance for the development and improvement of public and school libraries; fosters interlibrary cooperation and resource sharing; and promotes information and instructional technology in schools and libraries. The division administers the state aid program for Wisconsin’s 17 public library systems. It also administers the federal Library Services and Technology Act. The division facilitates interlibrary loan and reference services to the state’s libraries and manages WISCAT (www.WISCAT.net), the interlibrary loan management system and electronic union and virtual catalog of Wisconsin library holdings. The division also acts as a state-level clearinghouse for interlibrary loan requests; administers BadgerLink (www.badgerlink.net), the statewide full-text database project that allows access to thousands of magazines, newsletters, newspapers, pamphlets, and historical documents; and, in collaboration with other Wisconsin library organizations, manages BadgerLearn, the statewide portal of training and professional development materials created by the Wisconsin library community. The division manages con-
tracts with library organizations necessary to the provision of interlibrary loan services, library service to the blind and visually impaired, and enhancing awareness of high quality children’s literature in the school and library communities. The division directs the public librarian certification program, and the summer library reading program, and provides planning and coordination for the development of libraries in schools and Wisconsin communities, as well as regional public library systems.

DLT also serves as the information technology team for the entire agency. One of the division’s teams implements and supports the statewide K-12 data warehouse and dashboard system; this data warehouse system aggregates data from a variety of data collections and information systems into an easy-to-use interface for every school district across Wisconsin known as WISEdash. The division provides information and resources for and about schools through the School District Performance Report (SDPR) and other department resources. DLT also provides guidance and oversight to instructional technology efforts in all Wisconsin school districts. The DLT staff has led the development of a statewide digital learning strategic plan with the state superintendent’s Digital Learning Advisory Council, creating a roadmap for all school districts. Project efforts include creation of a statewide professional learning management system and virtual professional learning community and resource portal. In addition, DLT provides guidance on development of local technology and library media program plans and utilization of the Common School Fund, and consults on school library media program staff licensure. The staff also facilitates professional learning activities associated with education technology integration within schools.

The Division for Student and School Success is responsible for ensuring that all children attain proficiency in meeting the Wisconsin Academic Standards. The four teams in this division, Educational Accountability, Student Assessment, Title I and School Support, and Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Programs and Urban Education, have as a major focus closing the achievement gap that exists among children of color, the economically disadvantaged, and their peers.

The Office of Educational Accountability provides data to assist district and school personnel in evaluating and making decisions related to educational planning and programming. This team provides accountability outcomes via School and District Report Cards related to state and federal legislation and gives technical assistance in evaluating results and developing approaches to using data to inform decisions ensuring students are prepared for college and careers.

The Office of Student Assessment provides statewide assessments which measure student proficiency related to the Wisconsin Academic Standards. Assessments also include screening measures in early literacy and English language proficiency. The data from these assessments are compiled into reports for district and school improvement efforts as well as meeting the expectations of state and federal reporting requirements.

The Title I and School Support Team provides a multitude of resources to districts and schools that include a number of programs under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, including programs under Title I-Part A, Even Start, Migrant Education, Neglected and Delinquent Youth, McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, the VISTA program, and the state class size reduction program Student Achievement Guarantee in Education (SAGE).

The Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Programs and Urban Education Team focuses on improving high school graduation rates, reducing dropouts and encouraging nontraditional, minority, disadvantaged, and low-income students with college potential to pursue postsecondary education. Programs to achieve team objectives include state and federal Talent Search, Talent Incentive Program, Early Identification Program, Pre-College Scholarship Program, Gear Up, and Upward Bound Program. The Urban Education program was established in 1995 to provide services to urban areas including Beloit, Kenosha, Milwaukee, and Racine to facilitate cooperative efforts to address the challenges and equity needs facing families, children, and educators in an urban setting. Programs to achieve team objectives include Special Education, Title I, and Urban Staff Development and Teacher Education Program Review.

History: The Wisconsin Constitution, as adopted in 1848, required the state legislature to provide by law for the establishment of district schools that would be free to all children between the ages of 4 and 20 years. It also created a State Superintendent of Public Instruction to super-
vise public education. Under the 1849 Wisconsin Statutes, the superintendent was ordered to visit schools in all the counties, recommend textbooks and courses of instruction, and distribute state money for public schools to the counties.

Originally, the superintendent was elected to a 2-year term at the partisan general election in November. With the adoption of a constitutional amendment in 1902, the superintendent was placed on the nonpartisan April ballot and given a 4-year term of office.

In the early years of statehood, the hiring of teachers was entirely a local matter. In 1861, the legislature created county superintendents of schools with the power to license teachers beginning in 1862. The state superintendent was also given licensing authority in 1868 (Chapter 169). Local districts and county superintendents continued to license teachers until 1939, when the legislature gave that power exclusively to the Department of Public Instruction.

For a number of years, state support of public education consisted of money derived principally from the sale of public lands that the federal government had granted to the state. In Chapter 287, Laws of 1885, the legislature levied a one-mill (one-tenth of a cent) state property tax to be collected by the state and distributed to counties for school support. The state’s first attempt to equalize tax support for schools in property-poor districts was the Wisconsin Elementary Equalization Law of 1927 (Chapter 536). It was promoted by State Superintendent John Callahan, who also urged a 40% level of state support for local school costs – a figure not reached until after 1970. The 1995 Legislature enacted a law to ensure that state aids and school levy tax credits would cover two-thirds of local school revenues, but subsequently repealed that requirement in 2003.

Originally, Wisconsin only required tax support for elementary schools. Individual cities, such as Racine and Kenosha, funded their own high schools. The legislature enacted public support for high schools in 1875 (Chapter 323). Kindergarten originated in 1856 when Margarethe Schurz started a German-speaking program for children 2 through 5 years of age in Watertown, Wisconsin. The first public school kindergarten opened in Manitowoc in 1873 for 4- and 5-year-old children. The program continued to spread until, in 1973, the legislature required school districts to provide a 5-year-old kindergarten. In the 1990s, an increasing number of school districts offered full-day programs for 5-year-old children and kindergarten programs for 4-year-olds.

Although state law had contained some curriculum requirements as early as 1849, the legislature did not establish high school graduation requirements until 1983. In 1985, it prescribed a detailed set of standards local districts must meet to be eligible for state aid. The 1997 Legislature mandated that school boards adopt pupil academic standards in certain subjects, a series of examinations to measure pupil achievement in 4th, 8th, and 10th grades, and a high school graduation examination. The 2003 Legislature eliminated the high school graduation examination.

State concern for special education began with the establishment of the Wisconsin Institute for Education of the Blind in Janesville in 1850 and a school for the deaf in Delavan in 1852. These schools were administered by public welfare agencies until transferred to the Department of Public Instruction in 1947. The 1927 Legislature enacted laws to provide aid for special classes for “crippled children” and increased aid for districts to educate mentally handicapped children. Funding for education of all children with disabilities was enacted in 1973 to comply with federal law.

While state administration of school libraries fell under the jurisdiction of the superintendent, the Free Library Commission set standards for public libraries. In 1965, the legislature transferred this function which also now resides with the department.

Statutory Board and Councils

Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Programs, Council on: Susan Baumann-Duren, Yolanda Cargile, Jean Christensen, Brian Dean, Betsy Gruszynski, Delaine Moe, Bonnie Scheel, Jane Schneider, Marian Sheridan.

The Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Programs advises the state superintendent about programs to prevent or reduce alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse by minors. The council was created by Chapter 331, Laws of 1979, and its duties are prescribed in Section 115.36 of the statutes.
The Red Feather Singers, from the Madison School District, provide music at State Superintendent Tony Evers annual state of education address in the State Capitol rotunda. (Department of Public Instruction)
The Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Education Council advises the state superintendent on issues related to pupils who are hearing impaired. It informs the superintendent on services, programs, and research that could benefit those students. The council makes recommendations for improving services provided by the Wisconsin Educational Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reviews and makes recommendations on the level of quality and services available to hearing-impaired pupils; proposes ways to improve the preparation of teachers and other staff who provide services to the hearing impaired; and proposes ways to improve coordination between the department and providers of services to the hearing impaired. The council’s 12 statutory members serve 3-year terms. It was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 57, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.377 (2) and 115.372 of the statutes.

Library and Network Development, Council on: Nita Burke (public member), chairperson; Bryan McCormick (professional member), vice chairperson; Joshua Cowles (professional member), secretary; Ewa Barczyk, Laurie Freund, Joan Robb, Emily Rogers, Jim Trojanowski, Patrick Wilkinson, vacancy (professional members); Terrence Berres, Mary Therese Boyle, Cara Cavin, Miriam Erickson, Thomas Kamenick, Douglas H. Lay, Kathy Pletcher, Jess Ripp, Kristi Williams (public members) (appointed by governor).

The 19-member Council on Library and Network Development advises the state superintendent and the administrator of the Division for Libraries and Technology on the performance of their duties regarding library service. Members serve 3-year terms. The professional members represent various types of libraries and information services. The public members must demonstrate an interest in libraries and other types of information services. The council was created by Chapter 347, Laws of 1979, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.377 (6) and 43.07 of the statutes.

Professional Standards Council for Teachers: Linda Luedtke (public school pupil services professional), chairperson; Wendy Ripp (public school teacher), vice chairperson; Heather Strayer (public school pupil services professional); Lisa Benz, Paula Hase, Jennifer Nickel, 2 vacancies (public school teachers); Manjula Dammana (public school special education teacher); Margaret Doering (private school teacher); Brad Peck (public school principal); John Gaier (public school district administrator); Brian McAlister (UW System educational faculty member); Debra Doosemagen (private college education faculty member); Peggy Hill Breunig, Gary Williams (public school board members); vacancy (parent of public school child); vacancy (IHE public or private faculty member); Briana Schwabenbauer (student enrolled in teacher preparatory program) (appointed by state superintendent with senate consent).

The 19-member Professional Standards Council for Teachers advises the state superintendent regarding licensing and evaluating teachers; evaluation and approval of teacher education programs; the status of teaching in Wisconsin; school board practices to develop effective teaching; peer mentoring; evaluation systems; and alternative dismissal procedures.

Members serve 3-year terms, except the student member, who serves for 2 years. Public school teachers and pupil service professionals are recommended by the largest statewide labor organization representing teachers. The private school teacher is recommended by the Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools. The public school administrator and principal are recommended by their statewide organizations. Faculty members are recommended by the UW System president and the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. The council was created by 1997 Wisconsin Act 298, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.377 (8) and 115.425 of the statutes.

School District Boundary Appeal Board: Tony Evers (superintendent of public instruction); David Amundson, Colleen Davis, Richard Eloranta, N. David Kipp, Mary Kathleen Maloney, Theresa Miles, Julie Nett, Steven Pate, Patricia Silver, Therese Travia, 2 vacancies (appointed by state superintendent).

The 13-member School District Boundary Appeal Board hears appeals from persons aggrieved by actions taken under Chapter 117, Wisconsin Statutes, providing for school district reorganization. The appointed members include 4 each from large, medium, and small district school boards, who are appointed for staggered 2-year terms. No two members may live within
the boundaries of the same CESA. The board was created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 27, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.375 (2) and 117.05 of the statutes.

Special Education, Council on: Carla Witkowski, chairperson; Caroline Rossing, vice chairperson; Judy Braun, Margaret Carpenter, Elsa Diaz-Bautista, Jim Dimock, Nancy Donahue, Regina Floyd-Sambou, Deborah Foster, Jennifer Giedd, Marla Hintze, Sue Larsen, Patricia Luebke, Jennifer Mims-Howell, Anna Moffit, Wendy Overturf, Karen Quick, Julie Quigley, Stacey Skoning, Mary Swifka, Susana Valdes-Shogren (appointed by state superintendent).

The Council on Special Education advises the state superintendent on programs for children with disabilities. It assists in developing evaluations, and reporting data to the U.S. Department of Education, developing policies, and advising the state superintendent regarding the needs of children with disabilities. The number of council members is unspecified, but the following categories must be represented: regular and special education teachers; institutions of higher education that train special education personnel; state and local education officials; administrators of programs for children with disabilities; agencies involved in financing or delivery of related services; private schools and charter schools; a vocational, community, or business organization that provides transitional services; the Department of Corrections; parents of children with disabilities; and individuals with disabilities. Council members are appointed for 3-year terms, and the majority must be individuals with disabilities or parents of children with disabilities. The council was created as the Council on Exceptional Education by Chapter 89, Laws of 1973, and renamed and revised by 1997 Wisconsin Act 164. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 15.377 (4) of the statutes.

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Publications: Biennial report; strategic energy assessment; various statistics on electric utilities, gas utilities, and telephone companies; and guides for utility customers, including publications for consumers related to electricity, natural gas, water, and telephone services.

Number of Employees: 140.00.
Statutory References: Sections 15.06 and 15.79; Chapter 196.

Agency Responsibility: The Public Service Commission (PSC) is responsible for regulating Wisconsin’s public utilities and ensuring that utility services are provided to customers at prices reasonable to both ratepayers and utility owners. The commission regulates the rates and services of electric, gas distribution, heating, water, and combined water and sewer utilities. The commission has limited jurisdiction over landline telecommunications providers and services. In most instances, the commission’s jurisdiction does not extend to the activities of electric cooperatives, wireless telephone providers, cable television, or Internet service.

Responsibilities of the commission include setting utility rates, determining levels for adequate and safe service, and utility bond sales and stock offerings. It confirms or rejects utility applications for major construction projects, such as power plants, transmission lines, and wind farms. In addition to ensuring utility compliance with statutes, administrative codes, and record-keeping requirements, the commission’s staff investigates and mediates thousands of consumer complaints annually. During the complaint process, commission staff reviews all pertinent information to make certain that the utility’s handling of the complaint is in compliance with the applicable rules. The commission also rules on proposed mergers between utility companies.

The commission certifies various types of telecommunications providers, manages the Universal Service Fund, handles some wholesale disputes between telecommunications providers including interconnection agreement filings and disputes, and administers telephone numbering resources.

Organization: The governor appoints the 3 full-time commissioners, with senate approval, to serve staggered 6-year terms, but an individual commissioner holds office until a successor is appointed and qualified. No commissioner may have a financial interest in a railroad or public utility or water carrier or serve on or under a political party committee. By work rule, no employee or immediate family member may own stock in a utility or any entity regulated by the commission. The governor designates a chairperson who, in turn, may appoint division administrators from outside the classified service.

Unit Functions: The Division of Business and Communications Services has two subunits, administrative services and telecommunications.

Administrative Services provides the commission’s human resources and personnel management, budget development, financial management, information technology, staff development, facilities management, and intervenor financing coordination, procurement, and grants administration. Its central records management staff provides agency staff with printing, mail, and case file services.

Telecommunications is responsible for oversight of the telecommunications industry in Wisconsin and resolution of disputes involving those services that are within PSC jurisdiction. The PSC promotes competition in the state’s telecommunications markets in order to ensure access to modern and affordable service throughout the state. The PSC works to resolve disputes between telecommunications service providers, administers universal service programs, administers telephone numbering resources, and advises the Federal Communications Commission on matters pertaining to Wisconsin’s interests in federal telecommunications policy. The division also undertakes the PSC’s efforts on broadband infrastructure mapping and planning.

The Natural Gas and Energy Division is responsible for all aspects of regulating electric utilities and the provision of natural gas service. PSC approval is required for utilities to change rates, build power plants, or construct major transmission lines. The division looks at need, alternatives, costs, and environmental impacts for construction cases and reviews finances, cor-
porate structure, and affiliated interests in rate cases. It also provides the commissioners with information they need in order to make decisions regarding construction and rate cases.

The *Division of Water, Compliance and Consumer Affairs* is responsible for regulating water and sewer public utilities in Wisconsin and ensuring utility compliance with the consumer sections of the state administrative code and statutes. The division offers assistance to all of the state’s utilities for compliance with the statutes, code, and record-keeping requirements and the development of consumer affairs policies. The division also coordinates consumer information and mediates resolutions to consumer complaints.

**History:** Public utility regulation in Wisconsin followed and was closely related to railroad regulation. Railroads were the first modern enterprise to have their rates regulated, and Wisconsin became one of the first states to pass such laws. Chapter 273, Laws of 1874, established a railroad rate structure and provided for 3 appointed railroad commissioners to supervise rail freight operations. Two years later in Chapter 57, Laws of 1876, the legislature repealed much of the 1874 law and established a single appointed commissioner of railroads. The commissioner was made an elected official in 1881 (Chapter 300).

The forerunner of today’s commission dates from Chapter 362, Laws of 1905, which created and appointed a 3-member Railroad Commission to supervise rail operations, appraise railroad property, and set rates. With the enactment of Chapter 499, Laws of 1907, which extended the powers of the Railroad Commission, Wisconsin became the first state to regulate all public utilities.

Chapter 183, Laws of 1931, renamed the agency the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and made it responsible for comprehensive motor carrier regulation in 1933 (Chapter 488). The 1967 executive branch reorganization continued the commission as an independent agency. Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, transferred the commission’s railroad and motor carrier regulatory functions to the Transportation Commission (recreated in 1982 as the now defunct Office of the Commissioner of Transportation). Railroad regulation was assigned to the newly created Office of the Commissioner of Railroads by 1993 Wisconsin Act 123.

Laws passed in 1985 provided for a partial deregulation of public utility holding companies and telecommunications service. 1993 Wisconsin Act 496 significantly altered the regulation of telecommunications utilities, particularly regarding rate-setting procedures. 2011 Wisconsin Act 22 established a new regulatory framework for telecommunications utilities, which eliminated the commission’s authority to regulate the prices utilities charge telecommunications customers, as well as removing the commission’s authority to investigate most consumer complaints involving retail telecommunications issues.

**Statutory Councils**

**Telecommunications Privacy Council:** Inactive.

The Telecommunications Privacy Council advises the commission on guidelines designed to protect the privacy of users of telecommunications services. The number of members on the council is not specified, but all must represent telecommunications providers or consumers. The council was created by 1993 Wisconsin Act 496 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 196.209 of the statutes.


**Universal Service Fund Director:** Jeff Richter, Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 7854, Madison 53707-7854; Telephone: 267-9624; Fax: 266-3957; TTY: (800) 251-8345 (in-state only) or 267-1479; jeff.richter@

The Universal Service Fund Council advises the commission on the administration of the Universal Service Fund, which assists low-income customers, disabled customers, and customers in areas where telecommunications service costs are relatively high, in obtaining affordable access to basic telecommunications services. The Universal Service Fund manager acts as liaison between the commission and the council. The number of members on the council is not
specified. All must represent telecommunication service providers or consumers, but the majority of members must represent consumers. The council was created by 1993 Wisconsin Act 496 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 196.218 (6) of the statutes.

**Wind Siting Council:** Bill Rakocy, Wes Slaymaker (representing wind energy system developers); Glen Schwalbach (town representative); Scott Godfrey (county representative); Deb Erwin, Andy Hesselbach (representing the energy industry); Tyson Cook, Michael Vickerman (representing environmental groups); Tom Meyer, Tim Roehl (representing realtors); James Amstadt, Jarred Sears (adjacent or nearby landowners not receiving compensation for hosting wind energy systems); Mary Brandt, Carl Kuehne (public members); vacancy (University of Wisconsin System faculty member with expertise regarding health impacts of wind energy systems) (appointed by Public Service Commission).

The 15-member Wind Siting Council advises the commission on promulgation of rules relating to restrictions a political subdivision may impose on the installation of a wind energy system including setback requirements that provide reasonable protection from any health effects. The council also surveys the peer-reviewed scientific research regarding the health impacts of wind energy systems and studies state and national regulatory developments regarding the siting of wind energy systems. The members of the council are appointed by the commission for 3-year terms. The council was created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 40 and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.797 (1) and 196.378 (4g) of the statutes.

**INDEPENDENT UNIT ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES**

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Number of Employees: 6.00.
Total Budget 2013-15: $1,068,600.
Statutory References: Sections 15.06 (1) (a) and 15.795 (1); Chapters 189-192 and 195.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Office of the Commissioner of Railroads enforces regulations related to railway safety and determines the safety of highway crossings including the adequacy of railroad warning devices. The office also retains authority over the rates and services of intrastate water carriers. The office is funded by assessments on railroads.

The governor appoints the commissioner with senate consent to a 6-year term and the commissioner holds the office until a successor is appointed. The commissioner may not have a financial interest in railroads or water carriers and may not serve on or under any committee of a political party. The office was created by 1993 Wisconsin Act 123 as an independent regulatory agency to assume the functions relating to railroad regulation that 1993 Wisconsin Act 16 had transferred to the Public Service Commission when the Office of the Commissioner of Transportation was eliminated. The responsibility for regulating water carriers was added by 2005 Wisconsin Act 179.
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Publications: Agricultural Assessment Guide; biennial report; County and Municipal Revenues and Expenditures; A Guide for Property Owners; Quarterly Economic Outlook; Summary of Tax Exemption Devices; Town, Village, and City Taxes; Wisconsin Tax Bulletin; and various brochures and publications on specific issues.

Number of Employees: 1,096.28.

Total Budget 2013-15: $368,433,700.

Statutory References: Sections 15.43 and 15.435; Chapters 70-79, 125, and 139.

Agency Responsibility: The Department of Revenue administers all major state tax laws (except the insurance premiums tax) and enforces the state’s alcohol beverage and tobacco laws. It estimates state revenues, forecasts state economic activity, helps formulate tax policy, and administers the Wisconsin Lottery. It also determines equalized value of taxable property and assesses manufacturing property. It administers local financial assistance programs and assists local governments in their property assessments and financial management. The agency also oversees the Unclaimed Property program to match taxpayers with unclaimed financial assets.

Organization: The department is administered by a secretary who is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the administrators of the Income, Sales and Excise Tax Division and the Technology Services Division from the classified service and the other division administrators from outside the classified service.

Unit Functions: The Office of General Counsel provides legal counsel and opinions; reviews tax legislation and administrative rules; and represents the department in all cases brought before the Tax Appeals Commission, in collections actions brought before state circuit courts and federal bankruptcy courts, and in nontax cases before administrative agencies. It is also responsible for providing a prompt and impartial review of all assessments appealed by individuals, partnerships, trusts, and corporations relating to income, franchise, sales and use, withholding, and excise taxes and the homestead tax credit.

The Enterprise Services Division provides departmentwide services in the areas of administration, budget and financial management, business services, printing, records management, personnel, affirmative action, equal opportunity, employee development, employment relations, and other management services.

The Income, Sales and Excise Tax Division administers tax laws relating to income, withholding, franchise, sales and use, local exposition, premier resort area, estate, fiduciary, liquor, beer, wine, cigarette and tobacco products, motor vehicles, alternate and aviation fuel taxes, rental vehicles, dry cleaning, and police and fire protection fees; and ambulatory surgical center assessment. The division also administers the homestead credit, earned income tax credit, and farmland preservation credit programs. The division drafts and reviews tax legislation, administrative rules, tax forms/instructions and publications; processes tax returns and payments; audits tax returns; provides taxpayer and practitioner assistance; collects delinquent taxes; and conducts criminal investigations. It also administers Wisconsin’s Unclaimed Property program, including property custody and distribution, claims processing, and holder reporting.

The Lottery Division administers the Wisconsin Lottery. It manages the design, distribution, and sale of lottery products; conducts lottery game drawings; handles media relations; assists retailers with marketing lottery products; makes payment on winning tickets; provides product information through informational advertisements and its Web site (www.wilottery.com); and answers players’ questions.

The Research and Policy Division provides detailed analyses of fiscal and economic policies to the departmental secretary, the governor, and other state officials. It assesses the impact of current and proposed tax laws, prepares official general fund tax collection estimates used to develop the state budget, issues quarterly forecasts of the state’s economy, and develops statistical reports.

The State and Local Finance Division establishes the state’s equalized values; assesses all manufacturing and telecommunications company property for property tax purposes; assesses and collects taxes on utilities, railroads, airlines, mining, and other special properties; and provides financial management and technical assistance to municipal and county governments. It
administers the state municipal and county aid program, property tax relief for municipal services, the lottery credit program, and tax incremental financing programs. It provides property assessment administration and certifies assessment personnel.

The Technology Services Division administers technology services for all parts of the department, including data administration, applications development, workstation support, data collection, and technology planning.

**History:** The antecedents of the Department of Revenue date back at least to Chapter 130, Laws of 1868, which created a State Board of Assessors, composed of the secretary of state and the entire state senate, to perform the state’s taxing functions. At that time, the property tax was the state’s primary source of revenue.

Chapter 235, Laws of 1873, changed the board’s composition to the secretary of state, state treasurer, and attorney general. The 1899 Legislature created the Office of Tax Commissioner (Chapter 206) to supervise the state’s taxation system and made the commissioner a member and presiding officer of the State Board of Assessors.

The composition of the State Board of Assessors was changed again in Chapter 237, Laws of 1901, when the legislature replaced the constitutional officers with two assistant commissioners. The 1905 Legislature abolished the State Board of Assessors (Chapter 380) and assigned its functions to a 3-member Tax Commission, appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. This structure lasted until Chapter 412, Laws of 1939, created the Department of Taxation, headed by a single commissioner. Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, renamed the agency the Department of Revenue and the commissioner became the secretary.

Throughout the years, certain tax-related functions have been moved from one agency or level of government to another. For example, local officials originally assessed manufacturing property, but the 1973 Legislature gave the department responsibility for assessing all manufacturing property in the state.

Similarly, the 1939 Legislature made the Department of Taxation responsible for performing audits upon the request of local governmental units. After assignment to several other agencies, the legislature returned this function to the Department of Revenue in 1971. In 1983, the legislature repealed the department’s mandatory municipal audit functions but left intact its discretionary oversight of municipal accounting.

The department currently is responsible for administration of the Wisconsin Lottery. The lottery was originally created by 1987 Wisconsin Act 119 and administered by the Lottery Board. It was later managed by the Wisconsin Gaming Commission. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, which transferred the State Lottery to the Department of Revenue, also repealed the commission and created the Gaming Board. The Gaming Board was repealed in 1997 Wisconsin Act 27. The Unclaimed Property Program was transferred to the Department of Revenue from the office of the State Treasurer by 2013 Wisconsin Act 20.

**Statutory Board and Council**

**State Board of Assessors:** **Timothy Drascic, chairperson; Kelly Coulson, Kurt Keller, Julie Matthes, Daniel Storm** (Department of Revenue employees appointed by secretary).

The State Board of Assessors investigates objections to the amount, valuation, or taxability of real or personal manufacturing property, as well as objections to the penalties issued for late filing or nonfiling of required manufacturing property report forms. The number of board members is determined by the secretary, but all must be department employees. The board was created by Chapter 90, Laws of 1973, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 70.995 (8) of the statutes.

**Farmland Advisory Council:** **Richard Chandler** (secretary of revenue), **chairperson; vacancy (agribusiness), Amber Keller** (knowledgeable about agricultural lending practices), **Bruce Jones** (UW System agricultural economist), **Tim Hanna** (mayor of a city of 40,000 or more population), **Jordan Lamb** (environmental expert), **vacancy (representing nonagricultural business), Stephen Hintz** (urban studies professor), **Herb Tauchen** (farmer) (all appointed by secretary of revenue); **Melvin Raatz** (assessor) (appointed by secretary of revenue as an advisor to council).
**Agency Responsibility:** The 9-member Farmland Advisory Council advises the Department of Revenue on implementing use-value assessment of agricultural land and reducing urban sprawl. It is required to report annually to the legislature on the usefulness of use-value assessment as a way to preserve farmland, discourage urban sprawl, and reduce the conversion of farmland to other uses. It also recommends changes to the shared revenue formula to compensate local governments adversely affected by use-value assessment. In carrying out its duties, it cooperates with the Wisconsin Strategic Growth Task Force of the State Interagency Land Use Council. The council was created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 73.03 (49) of the statutes.

**INDEPENDENT BOARD ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES**

**INVESTMENT AND LOCAL IMPACT FUND BOARD (“Mining Board”)**

**Investment and Local Impact Fund Board:** Richard Chandler (secretary of revenue), chairperson; Leslie Kolesar (public member), vice chairperson; Kelly Klein (local official recommended by Wisconsin Counties Association), secretary; Reed Hall (Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation CEO); EMMER SHIELDS (local official recommended by Wisconsin Counties Association); vacancy (local official recommended by League of Municipalities); DAVID PAJULA (local official recommended by Wisconsin Association of School Boards); ROBERT WALESEWICZ (public official recommended by Wisconsin Towns Association); vacancy (Native American member recommended by Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council); EDWARD BRANDIS, RICK HERMUS (public members).

The 11-member Investment and Local Impact Fund Board administers the Investment and Local Impact Fund, created to help municipalities alleviate costs associated with social, educational, environmental, and economic impacts of metalliferous mineral mining. The board certifies to the Department of Administration the amount of the payments to be distributed to municipalities from the fund. It also provides guidance and funding to local governments throughout the development of a mining project.

In addition to the secretary of revenue and the chief executive officer of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, or their designees, the board’s 9 appointed members serve staggered 4-year terms. They include 3 public members; the 5 local officials recommended by: the League of Wisconsin Municipalities (1), the Wisconsin Towns Association (1), the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (1), and the Wisconsin Counties Association (2); and a Native American member is recommended by the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. Certain board members must meet qualifications based on residence in or adjacent to a county or municipality with a metallic minerals ore body or mineral development. The board was created by Chapter 31, Laws of 1977, and its composition and duties are specified in Sections 15.435 (1) and 70.395 (2), Wisconsin Statutes.

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Number of Employees: 262.60.
Total Budget 2013-15: $102,105,300.
Statutory References: Sections 15.08, 15.085, 15.40, and 15.405-15.407; Chapters 101, 145, 440-462, 472, and 480.

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Examining Board Officers: ROSHEEN STYCZINSKI (landscape architect), chairperson; JOSEPH W. EBERLE (engineer), vice chairperson; LAWRENCE J. SCHNUCK (architect), secretary. The 5 professional sections listed below comprise the examining board for a total of 15 professional members and 10 public members. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

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Designer Section: STEVEN T. TWEED (designer), chairperson; MARK A. COOK, vacancy (designers); THOMAS J. GASPERETTI*, vacancy*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Engineer Section: JOSEPH W. EBERLE (engineer), chairperson; STEVEN J. HOOK*, vice chairperson; MARK E. MAYER (engineer), secretary; KRISTINE A. COTHARN (engineer); vacancy*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Landscape Architect Section: ROSHEEN M. STYCZINSKI (landscape architect), chairperson; MICHAEL J. KINNEY*, vice chairperson; ANDREW S. ALBRIGHT (landscape architect), secretary; vacancy (landscape architect); vacancy*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Land Surveyor Section: MATTHEW J. JANIAK (land surveyor), chairperson; DANIEL FEDDERLY (land surveyor), vice chairperson; RUTH G. JOHNSON*, secretary; BRUCE D. BOWDEN (land surveyor); vacancy*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

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Cosmetology Examining Board: VICKY L. McNALLY (aesthetician/cosmetologist), chairperson; KRISTIN K. ALLISON (aesthetician/cosmetologist), vice chairperson; LORI A. PAUL (private school of cosmetology representative); vacancy (public school of cosmetology representative); GAIL A. SENGBUSCH (electrologist); DIANNA D. WACHTER, vacancy (aestheticians/cosmetologists); 2 vacancies*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Dentistry Examining Board: LYNDSEY KNOELL (dentist), chairperson; MARK T. BRADEN (dentist), vice chairperson; DEBRA J. BERES (dental hygienist), secretary; LEONARDO HUCK, TIMOTHY F. McCONVILLE, WENDY M. PIETZ, BETH R. WELTER (dentists); EILEEN DONOHOO, CARRIE G. STEMPSKI (dental hygienists); 2 vacancies*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

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Geologists, Hydrologists and Soil Scientists, Examining Board of Professional Examining Board Officers: WILLIAM N. MODE (geologist), chairperson; BRENDA S. HALMINIAK (geologist), vice chairperson; RICHARD D. BEILFUSS (hydrologist), secretary. The 3 professional sections listed below comprise the examining board for a total of 9
professional members and 3 public members. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

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Hydrologist Section: RANDALL J. HUNT (hydrologist), chairperson; KENNETH R. BRADBURY (hydrologist), vice chairperson; RUTH G. JOHNSON*, secretary; RICHARD D. BEILFUSS (hydrologist). Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Soil Scientist Section: 3 vacancies (soil scientists); vacancy*. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Hearing and Speech Examining Board: SAMUEL P. GUBBELS (otolaryngologist), chairperson; THOMAS W. SATHER (speech-language pathologist), vice chairperson; SCOTT A. LARSON (hearing instrument specialist), secretary; DOREEN E. JENSEN, BARBARA J. JOHNSON (audiologists); STEVEN J. KAPPERICH, THOMAS J. KRIER (hearing instrument specialists); PATRICIA L. WILLIS (speech-language pathologist); 2 vacancies*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board:

Marriage and Family Therapist Section: ALICE HANSON-DREW*, chairperson; LINDA G. PELLMANN (marriage and family therapist), vice chairperson; NICHOLAS P. SMIAR (social worker), vice chairperson; ALLISON L. GORDON (professional counselor), secretary. The following 3 sections comprise the examining board, for a total of 10 professional members and 3 public members. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Professional Counselor Section: CHARLES V. LINDSEY (professional counselor), chairperson; ALLISON L. GORDON (professional counselor), vice chairperson; LESLIE D. MIRKIN (professional counselor), secretary; vacancy. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Social Worker Section: NICHOLAS P. SMIAR (independent social worker), chairperson; JENNIFER I. ANDERSON-MEGER (advanced practice social worker), vice chairperson; GREGORY E. WINKLER (clinical social worker), secretary; ELIZABETH A. KRUEGER (government social worker); vacancy*. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Medical Examining Board: KENNETH B. SIMONS (physician), chairperson; TIMOTHY L. SWAN (physician), vice chairperson; MARY JO CAPODICE (physician), secretary; RODNEY A. ERICKSON, SUresh K. MISRA, MICHAEL J. PHILLIPS, SRIDHAR V. VASUDEVAN, CAROLYN OGLAND VUKICHI, TIMOTHY W. WESTLAKE, RUSSELL S. YALE (physicians); JAMES BARR*, GREG M. COLLINS*, ROBERT ZONDAG*. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov (includes following boards).

Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board: RYAN A. BERRY (athletic trainer), chairperson; KURT A. FIELDING (athletic trainer), vice chairperson; JAMES W. NESBIT (athletic trainer), secretary; GREGORY S. VERGAMINI (athletic trainer); vacancy (physician), vacancy*. Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Dietitians Affiliated Credentialing Board: GAIL L. UNDERBAKE (dietitian), chairperson; SCOTT M. KRUEGER (dietitian), vice chairperson; TARA L. LAROWE (dietitian); vacancy*. Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Massage Therapy and Bodywork Therapy Affiliated Credentialing Board: ELIZABETH C. KRIZENESKY (massage therapist & body worker), chairperson; DARLENE M. CAMPO
(technical college representative), vice chairperson; BARBARA YETTER (massage therapist & body worker), secretary; JOHN E. ANDERSON (school representative); 2 vacancies (massage therapists & body workers); vacancy*. Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board: BRIAN B. HOLMOQUIST (occupational therapist), chairperson; LAURA M. O’BRIEN (occupational therapist), vice chairperson; GAYE M. MEYER (occupational therapist assistant), secretary; AMY K. SUMMERS (occupational therapist); DOROTHY J. OLSON (occupational therapist assistant); CORLISS A. RICE*, vacancy*. Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Perfusionists Examining Council: see councils.

Physician Assistants, Council on: see councils.

Podiatry Affiliated Credentialing Board: WILLIAM W. WEIS (podiatrist), chairperson; THOMAS R. KOMP (podiatrist), vice chairperson; GARY BROWN*, secretary; JEFFERY L. GIESKING (podiatrist). Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Respiratory Care Practitioners Examining Council: see councils.

Nursing, Board of: JEFFREY G. MILLER (registered nurse), chairperson; SHERYL A. KRAUSE (registered nurse), vice chairperson; LILLIAN NOLAN*, secretary; PAUL L. ABBEGLLEN, JULIE L. ELLIS, PETER J. KALLIO (registered nurses); MARIA JOSEPH, CHERYL A. STREEFTER (licensed practical nurses); LUANN SKARLUPKA*. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Licensed Practical Nurses, Examining Council on: (Inactive), see councils.

Registered Nurses, Examining Council on: (Inactive), see councils.

Nursing Home Administrator Examining Board: KENNETH D. ARNESON (nursing home administrator), chairperson; TIMOTHY J. CONROY (nursing home administrator), vice chairperson; CHARLES D. HAWKINS (nursing home administrator), secretary; PATRICK M. SHAUGHNESSY (nursing home administrator); SUSAN KINAST-PORTER (physician); LORI M. KOEPPEL (registered nurse); STEFANIE CARTON*, LORELI DICKINSON*; PAUL H. PESHEK (designated by secretary of health services); vacancy (nursing home administrator). Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Optometry Examining Board: ANN MEIER CARLI (optometrist), chairperson; ROBERT C. SCHULZ (optometrist), vice chairperson; MARK A. JINKINS*, secretary; VICTOR J. CONNORS, RICHARD L. FOSS, BRIAN J. HAMMES (optometrists); vacancy*. Executive Director: BRITTANY LEWIN, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Pharmacy Examining Board: THADDEUS J. SCHUMACHER (pharmacist), chairperson; FRANKLIN J. LADEN (pharmacist), vice chairperson; PHILIP J. TRAPSKIN (pharmacist), secretary; TERRY K. MAVES, CATHY J. WINTERS (pharmacists); CHARLOTTE RASMUSSEN*, KRISTI SULLIVAN*. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Pharmacist Advisory Council: (Inactive), see councils.

Physical Therapy Examining Board: LORI H. DOMINICZAK (physical therapist), chairperson; SHARI L. BERRY (physical therapist), vice chairperson; SARAH L. OLSON (physical therapist assistant), secretary; MICHELE A. THORMAN (physical therapist); THOMAS MURPHY*. Executive Director: THOMAS RYAN, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Psychology Examining Board: DANIEL A. SCHROEDER (psychologist), chairperson; MARCUS P. DESMONDE (psychologist), vice chairperson; REBECCA C. ANDERSON (psychologist), secretary; DAVID W. THOMPSON (psychologist); 2 vacancies*. Executive Director: DAN WILLIAMS, 267-7223, dan1.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Radiography Examining Board: SUSAN SANSON (radiographer), chairperson; JAMES LEMEROND (radiographer), vice chairperson; KELLEY GRANT (radiographer), secretary;
Gregg A. Bogost (physician-radiologist); Tracy L. Marshall (radiologic physicist); 2 vacancies*. Executive Director: Thomas Ryan, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Real Estate Examining Board: Stephen P. Beers (real estate salesperson/broker), chairperson; Michael J. Mulleady (real estate salesperson/broker), vice chairperson; Randal F. Savaglio (real estate sales/broker), secretary; Marie H. Hetzer, vacancy (real estate sales/brokers); Brian McGrath*, Dennis M. Pierce*. Executive Director: Brittany Lewin, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Veterinary Examining Board: Philip C. Johnson (veterinarian), chairperson; Robert T. Forbes (veterinarian), vice chairperson; Neil A. Wieseley (veterinarian), secretary; Diane C. Dommer Martin, Lisa M. Weisensel Nesson (veterinarians); Brenda S. Nemec (veterinarian technician); Bruce Berth*, Seldon Schall*. Executive Director: Thomas Ryan, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Boards (Statutory Authority of Boards) and Assigned Staff:

Auctioneer Board: Timothy D. Sweeney (auctioneer), chairperson; Jerry L. Thiel (auctioneer), vice chairperson; Randy J. Stockwell (auctioneer), secretary; Leonard E. Yoap (auctioneer/auction company representative); Heather Berlinksi*, Ronald J. Polacek*, James C. Wenzler*. Executive Director: Brittany Lewin, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Building Inspector Review Board (attached by s. 15.03): Donald A. Esposito (senate majority leader designee); David R. Huebsch (speaker of assembly designee); Gary Roehrig (secretary of safety and professional services designee); Martin Riefken (representing building contractors and building developers); James S. Micech (certified building inspector). Except as indicated, all members appointed by governor with senate consent. Policy Director: Jeffrey Grothman, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

Cemetery Board: Clyde W. Rupnow (licensed cemetery authority business representative), chairperson; Francis J. Groh (licensed cemetery authority business representative), vice chairperson; Patricia A. Grathen (licensed cemetery authority business representative), secretary; William E. Greenfield (licensed cemetery authority business representative); Kathleen M. Cantu*, vacancy*. Executive Director: Brittany Lewin, 261-5406, brittany.lewin@wisconsin.gov.

Controlled Substances Board: Doug Engelbert (designated by secretary of health services), chairperson; Alan Bloom (pharmacologist), vice chairperson; Yvonne M. Bellay (designated by secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection), secretary; Franklhin J. LaDien (designated by pharmacy examining board); Martin G. Koch (designated by attorney general); Gunnar Larson (psychiatrist). Executive Director: Dan Williams, 267-7223, dan.l.williams@wisconsin.gov.

Real Estate Appraisers Board: Lawrence R. Nicholson (certified general appraiser), chairperson; Carl N. Clementi (licensed appraiser), vice chairperson; Scott Brunner*, secretary; Marla L. Britton (assessor); Thomas J. Kneeseel (certified general appraiser); Jose Perez*, Henry F. Simon*. Executive Director: Thomas Ryan, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Councils (Statutory Authority of Councils) and Assigned Staff:

Anesthesiologists Assistants, Council on: James R. Mesrobian (anesthesiologist), chairperson; Michael L. Bottcher (anesthesiologist); Robert J. Stupi (anesthesiologist assistant); Kenneth B. Simons (Medical Examining Board designee); Marcy Salzer*. Policy Director: Thomas Ryan, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Contractors and Journeymen Council: Jeffrey Grothman (department employee designated by secretary of safety and professional services), secretary; Dan Dreibel, Chris Schoenbeck (licensed journeymen automatic fire sprinkler fitters); Jeff Bateman, Greg Hintz (licensed automatic fire sprinkler contractors). Policy Director: Jeffrey Grothman, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.
Commercial Building Code Council: JEFFREY GROTHMAN (department employee designated by secretary of safety and professional services secretary), secretary (nonvoting); HUNTER BOHNE, COREY ROCKWEILER (skilled building trades representatives); DAVID ENGL, PETER SCHEUERMAN (building inspector representatives); vacancy (fire services representative-chief); vacancy (fire services representative); STEVE KLESSIG, SAMUEL LAWRENCE (building contractors); MICHAEL F. MAMAYEK, IRINA RAGOZIN (architect, engineer, or designer). Policy Director: JEFFREY GROTHMAN, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

Contractor Certification Council: ABE DEGNAN, MARK A. ETRHEIM, vacancy (building contractor representatives). Policy Director: JEFFREY GROTHMAN, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

Conveyance Safety Code Council: JEFFREY GROTHMAN (secretary of safety and professional services designee), secretary; WILLIAM GRUBBS (representative of a manufacturer of elevators); vacancy (representative of an elevator servicing business); PAUL S. ROSENBERG (representative of an architectural design or elevator consulting profession); KELVIN NORD (representative of a labor organization involved in elevator installation, maintenance, and repair); ADAM SMITH (representative of a city, village, town, or county); MICHAEL DAUCK (representative of an owner or manager of a building containing an elevator); vacancy*; BRIAN HORNUNG (commercial construction building contractor involved in construction or installation of conveyances); BRIAN RAUSCH (department employee familiar with commercial building inspectors, designated by secretary of safety and professional services) (nonvoting). Policy Director: JEFFREY GROTHMAN, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

Crematory Authority Council: SCOTT K. BRAINARD, WILLIAM R. CRESS, GARY A. LANGENDORF (funeral director crematory authority); ADAM J. CASPER, KELLY L. COLEMAN-KOHORN, PAUL A. HAUBRICH (cemetery crematory authority); LINDA A. REID*; JEFFREY GROTHMAN (designated by secretary of safety and professional services) (nonvoting). Policy Director: JEFFREY GROTHMAN, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

Dwelling Code Council, Uniform: MICHAEL COELLO (construction material supply representative), chairperson; MARY L. SCHROEDER (building contractor), vice chairperson; JEFFREY GROTHMAN (department employee designated by secretary of safety and professional services), secretary (nonvoting); ABE DEGNAN, STEVEN GRYBOSKI, MIKE MARTHALE, (building contractors); SCOTT W. SATULA, BRIAN E. WERT (certified building inspectors employed by local government); PETER KRABBE (construction material supply representative); AMY BLISS (manufactured housing representative); JESSE JERABEK (architect, engineer, or designer). Policy Director: JEFFREY GROTHMAN, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.


Manufactured Housing Code Council: JEFFREY GROTHMAN (department employee designated by secretary of safety and professional services), secretary (nonvoting); JAY McDoNALD, ROB MOBLEY (manufacturers); BART HUNTINGTON, MARK THIEDE (manufactured home dealers); ROB GULOTTA, JOHN J. SCHARLAU (owners of manufactured home communities); ANTHONY WIDOWSKI, vacancy (installers); ROSS KINZLER (industry association representative); BOB KLUWIN (suppliers of materials or services); CHUCK ONSUM*; STEVE BREITLOW (labor representative); DAN CURRAN (inspector). Policy Director: JEFFREY GROTHMAN, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

Multifamily Dwelling Code Council: EDWARD R. GRAY, MARK SCOTT (skilled building trades labor organization representatives); DAVID A. NITZ (municipal inspector: county with population less than 50,000); PETER SCHEUERMAN (municipal inspector: county with population over 50,000); SCOTT BURKART, vacancy (fire service workers); BETH A. GONNERING, vacancy (multifamily dwelling contractors and developers); KEVIN WIPPERFURTH, 2 vacancies (materials manufacturers and finished product suppliers); JAMES R. KLETT (architects, engineers, and designers representative); 2 vacancies*; JEFFREY GROTHMAN (department of safety and professional services employee/nonvoting
secretary). **Policy Director**: **JEFFREY GROTHMAN**, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

**Perfusionists Examining Council**: **SHAWN E. MERGEN** (perfusionist), chairperson; **JEFFREY P. EDWARDS** (perfusionist), vice chairperson; **GARY TSAROVSKY** (perfusionist), secretary; **DAVID F. COBIS***, vacancy (physician). Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. **Executive Director**: **THOMAS RYAN**, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

**Plumbers Council**: **TIM LAMB** (department employee), secretary; **DAVE JONES** (master plumber); **STEVE BREITLOW** (journeyman plumber). **Policy Director**: **JEFFREY GROTHMAN**, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.


**Physician Assistants, Council on**: **JULIE A. DOYLE** (physician assistant), chairperson; **JODY L. WILKINS** (physician assistant), vice chairperson; **JEREMIAH L. BARRETT** (educator member) secretary; **ANNE B. HLETKO** (physician assistant); **MARY PANGMAN SCHMITT***. Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. **Executive Director**: **THOMAS RYAN**, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.


**Respiratory Care Practitioners Examining Council**: **LYNN R. WALDRA** (respiratory care practitioner), chairperson; **ANN M. MEICHER** (respiratory care practitioner), vice chairperson; **WILLIAM D. ROSANDICK** (respiratory care practitioner), secretary; vacancy (physician with a specialty in cardiothoracic surgeon or cardiovascular anesthesiologist); **WILLIAM D. ROSANDICK** (respiratory care practitioner), secretary; vacancy*. Parent-board: Medical Examining Board. **Executive Director**: **THOMAS RYAN**, 261-2378, thomas.ryan@wisconsin.gov.

**Sign Language Interpreter Council**: **JOEL E. MANOKOWSKI** (deaf or hard of hearing member), chairperson; **STEVE SMART** (interpreter member), vice chairperson; **FAYE JORDAN-PETERS** (deaf or hard of hearing member), secretary; **SUZETTE GARAY**, 2 vacancies (deaf or hard of hearing members); vacancy (interpreter member); **CARLOS JARAMILLO** (interpreter services member); **JEFFREY GROTHMAN** (department employee designated by secretary of safety and professional services). **Policy Director**: **JEFFREY GROTHMAN**, 267-9794, jeffrey.grothman@wisconsin.gov.

*Asterisk indicates public member. Other members represent the profession regulated, unless otherwise noted. The governor appoints all examining board and council members with the advice and consent of the senate, unless otherwise indicated.

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<td>2005 a. 457; 2011 a. 32</td>
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Under Section 440.042, Wisconsin Statutes, the secretary of the department of safety and professional services may appoint advisory committees to advise the department and its boards on matters relating to the regulation of credential holders.

Publications: Biennial reports; Consumer Complaints Frequently Asked Questions; Other Resources; The Impaired Professionals Procedure; Information About Your Hearing; Screening Process Brochure; Wisconsin Directory of Accredited Schools of Nursing; plus informational bulletins for credential holders and monthly disciplinary reports.

Agency Responsibility: The Department of Safety and Professional Services is responsible for ensuring the safe and competent practice of licensed professionals in Wisconsin. The department also administers and enforces laws to assure safe and sanitary conditions in public and private buildings. It provides administrative services to the state occupational regulatory authorities responsible for regulation of occupations and offers policy assistance in such areas as evaluating and establishing new professional licensing programs, creating routine procedures for legal proceedings, and adjusting policies in response to public needs. Currently, the department and regulatory authorities are responsible for regulating more than 430,000 credential holders and 200 types of credentials.

The department investigates and prosecutes complaints against credential holders and assists with drafting statutes and administrative rules. The Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) program enforces participation agreements with credential holders who are chemically impaired, allowing them to retain their professional credentials if they comply with requirements, including treatment for chemical dependency.

The department provides direct regulation and licensing of certain occupations and activities. Numerous boards and regulatory authorities attached to the department have independent responsibility for the regulation of specific professions in the public interest. Within statutory limits, they determine the education and experience required for credentialing, develop and evaluate examinations, and establish standards for professional conduct. These standards are set by administrative rule and enforced through legal action upon complaints from the public. The regulatory authorities may reprimand a credential holder; limit, suspend, or revoke the credential of a practitioner who violates laws or board rules; and, in some cases, impose forfeitures.

Regulatory authority members must be state residents, and they cannot serve more than two consecutive terms. No member may be an officer, director, or employee of a private organization that promotes or furthers the profession or occupation regulated by that board.
Organization: The governor appoints the secretary of the department with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints a deputy secretary, an assistant deputy secretary, and the heads of various subunits from outside the classified service.

The boards and councils attached to the department consist primarily of members of the professions and occupations they regulate. In 1975, the legislature mandated that at least one public member serve on each board. In 1984, it required an additional public member on most boards. Public members are prohibited from having ties to the profession they regulate. In most cases, the governor appoints all members of the licensing and regulatory boards with the advice and consent of the senate. However, in some cases, council members are appointed by the governor without senate confirmation, by the secretary of the department, or by their related examining boards.

Unit Functions: The Division of Industry Services is divided into two bureaus, an administrative services section, and the Fire Prevention program.

The Bureau of Field Services performs inspections of commercial buildings, amusement rides, boilers, elevators, pressurized gas systems, and electrical systems. The bureau also performs plan reviews of elevators, boilers, and private onsite wastewater treatment systems. The bureau is also responsible for auditing third party and municipal inspection agencies.

The Bureau of Technical Services performs commercial building, plumbing, and fire suppression plan review. The bureau is also responsible for administering the Uniform Dwelling Code program, the federal HUD Manufactured Housing program, and provides consultations and training to local building officials and commercial and residential contractors.

The Administrative Services Section provides administrative support to internal and external stakeholders. It also administers the Rental Weatherization program for rental properties.

The Fire Prevention program administers the 2% Fire Dues program and provides consultation, support, and training to over 800 fire departments throughout the state.

The Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) is a public law office providing legal services to professional boards, regulated industries, and the department regarding the investigation, prosecution, and discipline of licensed credential holders for violations of professional standards. As part of these services, DLSC is organized into legal teams which include complaint intake personnel, consumer protection investigators, paralegals, prosecutors, and designated board counsel.

DLSC is also responsible for monitoring compliance with disciplinary orders and administering the Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP), a confidential monitoring program for impaired professionals. In addition, DLSC performs inspections of pharmacies, drug distributors and manufacturers, funeral home establishments, and barber and cosmetology establishments and schools.

The Division of Management Services provides administrative services to the department including budget and fiscal services, purchasing and contract administration, human resource services and employment relations, affirmative action compliance, facilities and fleet management, safety, mail, and telecommunication services. The division partners with the Department of Administration’s Division of Enterprise Technology to provide information technology services to the department.

The Division of Policy Development provides professional and administrative support to over 60 regulatory boards, councils, and committees. This includes: preparing agendas, transcribing meeting minutes, and researching and analyzing issues related to the regulated professions and programs. The division facilitates the drafting of administrative code and implementation of new laws, rules, and policies.

The Division of Professional Credential Processing receives applications for licenses and permits, creates applicant records, and determines whether credential criteria have been met.

History: The 2011-13 biennial budget, 2011 Wisconsin Act 32, created the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) by combining the Department of Regulation and Licensing (DRL) and the Divisions of Safety and Buildings and Environmental and Regulatory Services from the Department of Commerce.
Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, created DRL and attached to it 14 separate examining boards that had been independent agencies. The 1967 reorganization also transferred to the department some direct licensing and registration functions not handled by boards, including those for private detectives and detective agencies, charitable organizations, and professional fund-raisers and solicitors.

DRL’s responsibilities changed significantly since its creation. Initially, it performed routine housekeeping functions for the examining boards, which continued to function as independent agencies. Subsequently, a series of laws required the department to assume various substantive administrative functions previously performed by the boards and to provide direct regulation of several professions.

DSPS’s Division of Industry Services traces its roots to 1911 when the Legislature created the Industrial Commission in Chapter 485 to set standards for a safe place of employment. This “safe place” statute was extended in Chapter 588, Laws of 1913, to include public buildings, defined as “any structure used in whole or in part as a place of resort, assemblage, lodging, trade, traffic, occupancy, or use by the public, or by three or more tenants.” The commission adopted its first building code in 1914. Programs added over the years include plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, energy conservation, private on-site waste treatment systems, accessibility for people with disabilities, and electrical inspection and certification.

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Office of the
SECRETARY OF STATE

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Number of Employees: 4.0.
Total Budget 2013-15: $1,015,600.
Constitutional References: Article VI, Sections 1 and 2.
Statutory Reference: Chapter 14, Subchapter III.

Agency Responsibility: The Office of the Secretary of State performs a variety of services for state government and Wisconsin municipalities. Wisconsin’s Constitution requires the secretary of state to maintain the official acts of the legislature and governor, and to keep the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin and affix it to all official acts of the governor.

Organization: The secretary of state, a constitutional officer elected on a partisan ballot in the November general election, heads the Office of the Secretary of State.

Unit Functions: The Government Records Division keeps the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin and affixes it to all official acts of the governor, coordinates the publication of state laws with the Legislative Reference Bureau, records official acts of the legislature and the governor, and files oaths of office. It also files deeds for state lands and buildings, issues authentications and apostilles (a form of international authentication of notaries public), preserves the original copies of all enrolled laws and resolutions, and files annexations, charter ordinances, and incorporation papers for villages and cities. Municipal records and deeds can be accessed via the agency Web site.

History: The 1836 congressional act that organized the Territory of Wisconsin provided for a secretary of the territory to be appointed by the President of the United States. This office was
the forerunner of the post of secretary of state created by the Wisconsin Constitution. Delegates to the constitutional conventions of 1846 and 1848 determined that the secretary of state would be a constitutional officer. From the beginning of statehood until 1970, the secretary of state was elected for a 2-year term. Pursuant to a constitutional amendment ratified in 1967 and effective since the 1970 election, the term was extended to 4 years.

In the early days of statehood, the secretary of state personally performed a broad range of duties that are now delegated to other state agencies. Chapter 276, Laws of 1969, created the Office of the Secretary of State to assist the secretary.

Office of the
STATE TREASURER

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Number of Employees: 4.00.
Total Budget 2013-15: $1,089,600.
Constitutional References: Article VI, Sections 1 and 3; Article X, Section 7.
Statutory Reference: Chapter 14, Subchapter IV.
Agency Responsibility and Functions: The Office of the State Treasurer signs certain checks and financial instruments and participates in the promotion of the state’s unclaimed property program. The state treasurer serves on the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands.
Organization: The state treasurer, a constitutional officer elected for a 4-year term by partisan ballot in the November general election, heads the Office of the State Treasurer.
History: The territorial treasurer, an office created in 1839, was appointed by the governor, but the Wisconsin Constitution, adopted in 1848, made the office an elective partisan position. From 1848 through 1968, the state treasurer was elected to a 2-year term in the November general election. Since 1970, following ratification of a constitutional amendment in April 1967, the state treasurer has been elected to a 4-year term. Chapter 276, Laws of 1969, created the Office of the State Treasurer to assist the treasurer. The state’s unclaimed property program was transferred from the Office of the State Treasurer to the Department of Revenue by 2013 Wisconsin Act 20.
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Publications: Wisconsin Technical Colleges; Technical College Facts; annual and biennial reports; annual evaluation reports of technical college offerings and services; cost allocation summaries; employer satisfaction reports; graduate follow-up reports.

Number of Employees: 58.00.

Total Budget 2013-15: $701,992,300.

Statutory References: Section 15.94; Chapter 38.

Agency Responsibility: The Technical College System Board is the coordinating agency for the Technical College System. The board establishes statewide policies and standards for the educational programs and services provided by the 16 technical college districts that cover the state. The district boards, in turn, are responsible for the direct operation of their respective schools and programs. They are empowered to levy property taxes, provide for facilities and equipment, employ staff, and contract for services. The districts set academic and grading standards, appoint the district directors, hire instructional and other staff, and manage the district budget.

The system board supervises district operations through reporting and audit requirements and consultation, coordination, and support services. It sets standards for building new schools and adding to current facilities. It also provides assistance to districts in meeting the needs of target groups, including services for the disadvantaged, the disabled, women, dislocated workers, the incarcerated, and minorities.

The board administers state and federal aids. It works with the Department of Public Instruction to coordinate secondary and postsecondary vocational and technical programs. It also cooperates with the University of Wisconsin System to establish coordinated programming to make the services of the two agencies fully available to state residents. The board cooperates with the Department of Workforce Development to provide training for apprentices.

Organization: The 13-member Technical College System Board includes 9 members appointed by the governor to serve staggered 6-year terms and a technical college student appointed for a 2-year term. The student must be 18 years of age and a state resident who is enrolled at least half-time and in good academic standing. The governor may not appoint a student member from the same technical college in any two consecutive terms. No person may serve as board president for more than two successive annual terms. A 1971 opinion of the attorney general held that a member of a technical college district board could not serve concurrently on the state board (60 OAG 178). The board appoints a director, called the “system president”, from outside the classified service to serve at its pleasure, and the system president selects the executive assistant and division administrators from outside the classified service.

The 16 technical college districts encompass 49 campuses. Each district is headed by a board of 9 members who serve staggered 3-year terms. For all districts except Milwaukee, district boards include 2 employers, 2 employees, a school district administrator, a state or local elected official, and 3 additional members as defined by statute. A district appointment committee, com-
posed of county board chairpersons or school board presidents, appoints the board members, subject to approval of the state system board. Each district is administered by a director, called a “president”, appointed by the district board.

For Milwaukee, 7 of the 9 board members must be residents of Milwaukee County. The board’s 9 members include: 5 persons that represent employers (3 with 15 or more employees, 2 with 100 or more employees, and at least 2 manufacturers); one school district administrator; one elected official who holds a state or local office; and 2 additional members. Milwaukee board members are appointed by a committee composed of the county executive of Milwaukee County and the chairpersons of the Milwaukee, Ozaukee, and Washington County boards of supervisors.

**Unit Functions:** The *Policy and Government Relations Team*, which reports to the executive vice president, provides leadership for systemwide policy analysis and development, public outreach, and federal and state government relations. It is responsible for coordination of systemwide budgeting and planning; research; and labor market information.

The *Offices of Finance and Management* and *Information Technology* have oversight responsibility for operations including accounting, budgeting, procurement, payroll, human resources, facilities, and information technology. In addition, the offices provide guidance to the technical colleges in developing financial policies and standards, distribute state aid, and assist the board in determining student fees and tuition rates and approving district facility development projects. The offices are also responsible for management information and oversight of district budgets and enrollments.

The *Office of Occupational and Academic Excellence* has responsibility for program definition, approval, evaluation, and review. It focuses on programs in agriculture, office services, marketing, home economics (including family and consumer education), health occupations, trade and industry (including apprenticeship, fire service, law enforcement, safety, and technical and vocational training), general education, personnel certification, and environmental education. It also serves as a liaison to secondary schools.

The *Office of Student Success* is responsible for coordination of state and federal grant programs, student financial aid, federal projects for the disabled and disadvantaged, adult and continuing education outreach, adult basic education and English language learning, and Workforce Investment Act projects. It serves as a liaison to business and industry.

**History:** Laws passed in 1907 permitted cities to operate trade schools for persons age 16 or older as part of the public school system (Chapter 122), and allowed them to establish technical schools or colleges, under the control of either the school board or a special board (Chapter 344). In Chapter 616, Laws of 1911, Wisconsin was the first state to establish a system of state aid and support for industrial education. The law required every community with a population of 5,000 or more to establish an industrial education board, which was authorized to levy a property tax. It created the State Board of Industrial Education and an assistant for industrial education in the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

In the Laws of 1911, Wisconsin was the first state to set up apprenticeship agreements (Chapter 347) and require employers to release 14- to 16-year-olds for part-time attendance in continuation schools for apprentices, if such schooling was available (Chapter 505). Hours in class were to count as part of the total paid work hours. The schools, established through the work of Charles McCarthy, first director of the present-day Legislative Reference Bureau, emphasized general cultural and vocational education, as well as trade skills.

Due in part to the efforts of McCarthy, the U.S. Congress passed the Smith-Hughes Act in 1917, the first federal legislation specifically designed to promote vocational education, which it modeled on Wisconsin’s vocational training programs. The act offered financial aid to states to help pay teachers’ and administrators’ salaries and provided funds for teacher training.

Chapter 494, Laws of 1917, changed the name of the State Board of Industrial Education to the State Board of Vocational Education, authorized it to employ a state director, and designated it as the sole agency to work with the newly created federal board.

During the Great Depression, Wisconsin tightened its compulsory school attendance laws, which resulted in more 14- to 18-year-olds attending vocational school. The demand for adult
education also increased, as recognized by Chapter 349, Laws of 1937, which renamed the board the State Board of Vocational and Adult Education. During that same period, the vocational school in Milwaukee began to offer college transfer courses.

Events of the 1960s transformed the Wisconsin vocational-technical system into the post-secondary system of today. Federal vocational school legislation affected business education and emphasized training for the unemployed. The federal Vocational Education Act, passed in 1963, helped the local boards build new facilities. Chapter 51, Laws of 1961, authorized the state board to offer associate degrees for 2-year technical courses. The 1965 Legislature passed Chapter 292, which required a system of vocational, technical and adult education (VTAE) districts covering the entire state by 1970 and changed the board’s name to the State Board of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education. (Chapter 327, Laws of 1967, dropped “State” from the name.) College transfer programs were authorized in Madison, Milwaukee, and Rhinelander.

As a result of federal and state legislative changes in the 1960s, VTAE enrollments more than doubled to 466,000 between 1967 and 1982. The 1970s also saw significant increases in the number of associate degree programs. Other major statutory changes included the requirement that VTAE schools charge tuition and that they improve cooperation and coordination with the University of Wisconsin System.

In the past two decades, the system has increased its focus on lifelong learning; education for economic development; and services for groups that formerly had less access to education, including people in rural areas, women, and minorities. The system has placed special emphasis on assisting the unemployed, displaced homemakers, and those with literacy problems.

1993 Wisconsin Act 399 renamed the VTAE system, changing the name to the Technical College System, and designated the state board as the Technical College System Board. District VTAE schools became “technical colleges”.

Since the mid-1990s, the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) has experienced sustained, unprecedented enrollment growth. Six-month placement rates for WTCS graduates remained very strong, even during periods of historic economic recession. The colleges continued to develop flexible delivery options, including online offerings and career pathways that make it easy for individuals to return for training and credentials over the course of a career. In 2011, the WTCS celebrated its centennial.

INDEPENDENT BOARD ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

EDUCATIONAL APPROVAL BOARD

Members: Don Madelung, chairperson; Jo Oyama-Miller, vice chairperson; Robert Hein, secretary; Omar Parks, William Roden (appointed by governor).

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Number of Employees: 6.50.

Total Budget 2013-15: $1,326,200.

Statutory References: Sections 15.945 (1) and 38.50.

Agency Responsibility: The Educational Approval Board (EAB) is an independent state agency responsible for protecting Wisconsin’s consumers and supporting quality educational options, by regulating and evaluating for-profit postsecondary business, trade, or distance learning schools; out-of-state, nonprofit colleges and universities; and in-state, nonprofit institutions
incorporated after 1991. The board currently oversees more than 250 schools serving approximately 40,000 adults in 800+ degree and nondegree programs.

The board consists of not more than 7 members who serve at the pleasure of the governor and represent state agencies and others interested in educational programs. It employs the executive secretary and other staff from the classified service. Originally formed by order of the governor in 1944, the legislature created the agency in Chapter 137, Laws of 1953, as the Governor’s Educational Advisory Committee to approve and supervise schools and educational courses that trained veterans under various federal laws. A 1957 law (Chapter 438) directed the committee to certify those private vocational schools that offered adequate courses and to prevent fraud and misrepresentation. Chapter 568, Laws of 1963, gave the committee responsibility for licensing agents of private vocational schools, and Chapter 595, Laws of 1965, renamed it the Educational Approval Council. It was renamed the Educational Approval Board and administratively attached to the Department of Public Instruction by Chapter 214, Laws of 1967. The board was attached to the Board of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education by Chapter 125, Laws of 1971.

The Educational Approval Board was repealed by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, as part of an initiative to create a state Department of Education. The Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled the measure unconstitutional and the agency’s functions were continued under Executive Orders 283 and 287 which created the Educational Approval Council. The legislature recreated the board in 1997 Wisconsin Act 27 and attached it to the Higher Educational Aids Board. In 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, the board was attached to the Department of Veterans Affairs. 2001 Wisconsin Act 16 repealed statutory language which specifically made the board responsible for approving schools and courses of instruction for veterans and war orphans. The board was attached to the Wisconsin Technical College System Board (WTCSB) by 2005 Wisconsin Act 25. Under EAB’s administrative attachment, budgeting, program operations, and related management functions are conducted with the help of the WTCSB. However, the EAB is treated as a distinct unit of government that exercises its powers, duties, and functions prescribed by law, including rule making, licensing and regulation, and operational planning independently of the WTCSB.

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**Number of Employees:** 27.00.

**Total Budget 2013-15:** $30,709,400.

**Statutory References:** Section 15.44; Chapter 41.
Publications: Travel Wisconsin Activity Guide; Wisconsin Travel Guide; guides for seasonal events and recreation.

Agency Responsibility: The Department of Tourism promotes travel to Wisconsin’s scenic, historic, artistic, educational, and recreational sites. Travel sectors targeted by the department include leisure, meetings and conventions, sports, group tours, and international. Through planning, research, and assistance it provides guidance to the tourism and recreation industry to aid in the development of facilities. It also assists cooperative projects between profit and nonprofit tourism ventures. The department encourages local tourism development through the Joint Effort Marketing Grant Program, the Ready, Set, Go Sports Marketing Grant Program, Meetings Mean Business Grant Program, and the Travel Information Center Grant Program.

Organization: The governor appoints the secretary, with the advice and consent of the senate, to direct the department. The secretary appoints the deputy secretary and the communications director. Bureau directors are civil servants.

Unit Functions: The secretary’s office provides administrative support to the department and to its attached boards, including budget, policy planning and analysis, and accounting. The Office of the Secretary also supervises industry relations and the department’s grant programs.

The Marketing Bureau and the Communications Bureau both promote and advertise Wisconsin as “the Midwest’s premier travel destination for fun”. The Marketing Bureau also organizes market research, publications development, graphic design, produces the annual Governor’s Conference on Tourism along with special events throughout the state, and niche market development (meetings and conventions, sports groups, and international). The Communications Bureau works with the news media and travel writers worldwide to develop positive stories about Wisconsin as a travel destination.

The Bureau of Technology and Customer Services delivers Wisconsin travel information to visitors through various channels, including publication distribution, telephone travel assistance, and travelwisconsin.com, the official travel and tourism Web site for the State of Wisconsin. The bureau also coordinates several programs to collect local travel information from

Residents enjoy a campfire on a summer evening. (Department of Tourism)
destination marketing organizations around the state, and makes the details on more than 13,000 attractions, restaurants, accommodations, and events readily available to potential visitors.

History: State tourism promotion originated in the Department of Natural Resources to encourage travel to state parks and commercial recreational sites. Chapter 39, Laws of 1975, transferred tourism functions to the Department of Business Development and created the Division of Tourism as a statutory entity within the department. Chapter 361, Laws of 1979, created the Department of Development, which absorbed the division, through a merger of the Department of Business Development and the Department of Local Affairs and Development. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 reorganized the division as the Department of Tourism, effective January 1, 1996.

Statutory Board and Council

Arts Board: KEVIN MILLER, chairperson; MARY GIELOW, vice chairperson; HEATHER A. MCDONELL, secretary; ANN BRUNNER, SUSAN FRIEBERT, JOHN HENDRICKS, BRIAN KELSEY, LAMOINE MACLAUGHLIN, RON MADICH, BARBARA E. MUNSON, FREDERICK C. SCHWERTFEGGER, SHARON STEWART, ROBERT WAGNER, MATTHEW WALLOCK, vacancy (appointed by governor).

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Publications: Internet only: Annual Report; Guide to Programs and Services; grant applications (all programs); Wisconsin Folks Web Site; Portal Wisconsin; Web site in collaboration with the Cultural Coalition of Wisconsin.

Number of Employees: 4.00.

Total Budget 2013-15: $3,117,000.

Statutory References: Section 15.445 (1); Chapter 44, Subchapter III.

Agency Responsibility: The legislature directs the Arts Board to study and assist artistic and cultural activities in the state, assist communities in developing their own arts programs, and plan and implement funding programs for groups or individuals engaged in the arts.

As a funding agency, the board assists arts organizations and individual artists through a variety of programs designed to provide broad public access to the arts, strengthen the state’s artistic resources, and create opportunities for individuals of exceptional talent. Financial support programs for individuals and organizations include apprenticeships, artists-in-education programs, challenge grants, community activities, fellowships, opportunity grants, program assistance and support, and programs for presenters. The board also provides matching grants to local arts agencies and municipalities through the Wisconsin Regranting Program.

The board aids Wisconsin’s artistic community through an information program that includes workshops, conferences, research projects, and publications. The board regularly produces and distributes materials on local, state, and national arts activities for both the arts community and the general public. It arranges for the governor’s official portrait.

The 15 board members serve staggered 3-year terms and must be state residents with a concern for the arts. Each geographic quadrant of the state must be represented by at least 2 members. The board selects the executive director from outside the classified service. Chapter 90, Laws of 1973, created the board and attached it to the Department of Administration to succeed the Governor’s Council on the Arts, which Governor Gaylord Nelson had established in 1963. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 attached the board to the Department of Tourism for administrative purposes. 2011 Wisconsin Act 32 provided that the Arts Board was in the Department of Tourism.

Council on Tourism: PAUL UPCHURCH, chairperson; DEB ARCHER, JAMES BOLEN, CINDY BURZINSKI, PAUL CUNNINGHAM, S. PETER HELLAND, JR., BRIAN KELSEY, JOE KLIMCZAK, KATHY KOPP, SCOTT KRAUSE, LOLA ROEH, ERNIE STEVENS III, STACEY WATSON, vacancy; STEPHANIE KLETT (secretary of tourism); SENATORS BEWLEY, MOULTON; REPRESENTATIVES BILLINGS, TRANEL; GEORGE TZougros (executive director, Arts Board); ELLSWORTH BROWN (director, state historical society). (All except ex officio members are appointed by governor.)
The 21-member Council on Tourism advises the secretary about tourism and encourages Wisconsin private companies to promote the state in their advertisements. The 14 appointed members serve 3-year terms and assist the secretary in formulating a statewide marketing plan. Nominations for public member appointments must be sought from (but are not limited to) multicounty regional associations engaged in promoting tourism; statewide associations of businesses related to tourism; area visitor and convention bureaus; arts organizations; the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc., and other agencies with knowledge of American Indian tourism; and persons engaged in businesses catering to tourists. Nominees must have experience in marketing and promotion strategy and must represent the different geographical areas of the state and the diversity of the tourism industry. The council was created by 1987 Wisconsin Act 1 in the Department of Development and transferred to the Department of Tourism by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.447 (1) and 41.12 of the statutes.

INDEPENDENT UNITS ATTACHED FOR BUDGETING, PROGRAM COORDINATION, AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

KICKAPOO RESERVE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Members: Susan C. Cushing, Brandon Hysel, Ronald M. Johnson, Alan Szepi (residents of specified municipalities and school districts within watershed); Paul Hayes, Richard T. Wallin (watershed residents outside specified units); William L. Quackenbush (nonresident environmental advocate); vacancy (nonresident education representative); Dave Maxwell (nonresident recreation and tourism representative); Tracy Littlejohn, Adlai J. Mann (members with knowledge of watershed’s cultural resources, nominated by Ho-Chunk Nation) (appointed by governor).

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Number of Employees: 4.00.

Total Budget 2013-15: $1,830,800.

Statutory References: Sections 15.07 (1) (b) 20., 15.445 (2), 41.40, and 41.41.

Agency Responsibility: The 11-member Kickapoo Reserve Management Board manages 8,600 acres through a joint management agreement with the Ho-Chunk Nation. The Kickapoo Valley Reserve exists to preserve and enhance the area’s environmental, scenic, and cultural features; provides facilities for the use and enjoyment of visitors; and promotes the reserve as a destination for vacationing and recreation. Subject to the approval of the governor, the board may purchase land for inclusion in the reserve and trade land in the reserve under certain conditions. The Kickapoo Valley Reserve Visitor Center offers meeting and classroom space, interactive exhibits, educational programs, and tourist information.

The board also may lease land for purposes consistent with the management of the reserve or for agricultural purposes; authorize, license, regulate, and collect and spend revenue from private concessions in the reserve; accept gifts, grants, and bequests; and cooperate with and provide matching funds to nonprofit groups organized to provide assistance to the reserve.

The board may not authorize mining in the reserve or on any land acquired by the board and may not sell land that is in the reserve. It has authority to promulgate rules about use of the waters, land, and facilities under its jurisdiction, and the Department of Tourism is responsible for enforcement of state laws and rules relating to the reserve.

The governor appoints board members for staggered 3-year terms. Four members must be residents of villages, towns, and school districts in the immediate vicinity of the reserve; 2 must be residents of the Kickapoo River watershed outside of the immediate vicinity of the reserve;
and 3 members who are not residents of the watershed are appointed by the governor to repre-
sent education, environment, and tourism issues. In addition, 2 members are nominated by the
Ho-Chunk Nation who have an interest in and knowledge of the cultural resources within the
watershed. Various state agencies must appoint nonmember liaisons to the board, and the board
may request that any federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state, other than
the Ho-Chunk Nation, appoint a nonmember liaison. The board appoints the executive director
from outside the classified service. The board was created as the Kickapoo Valley Governing
Board by 1993 Wisconsin Act 349 and attached to the Department of Administration. 1995
Wisconsin Act 27 attached the board to the Department of Tourism, and it was renamed by 1995
Wisconsin Act 216. The board’s membership was revised by 2005 Wisconsin Act 396.

**LOWER WISCONSIN STATE RIVERWAY BOARD**

*Members:* DONALD GREENWOOD (Sauk County), chairperson; FRED MADISON (recreational user
group representative), vice chairperson; GERALD DORSCHIED (Iowa County), secretary; RONALD
LEY (Crawford County), MELODY K. MOORE (Dane County), ROBERT CARY (Grant County),
DAVID O. MARTIN (Richland County); GEORGE ARIMOND, RITCHIE J. BROWN (recreational user
groups’ representatives appointed by governor with senate consent). (County representatives
are nominated by respective county boards and appointed by governor.)

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*Internet Address:* http://lwr.state.wi.us

*Publications:* Summary of regulations, Strategic Plan, Biennial Report.

*Number of Employees:* 2.00.


*Statutory References:* Section 15.445 (3); Chapter 30, Subchapter IV.

*Wisconsin has over 15,000 lakes. Flyboarding is a popular activity on a lake near the Wisconsin Dells. (Department of Tourism)*
**Agency Responsibility:** The 9-member Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board is responsible for protecting and preserving the scenic beauty and natural character of the riverway. The board reviews permit applications for buildings, walkways, timber harvests, utility facilities, bridges, and other structures in the riverway and issues permits for activities that meet established standards.

Board members serve staggered 3-year terms. Each of the 6 county representatives must be either an elected official or a resident of a city or village that abuts the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway or of a town located at least in part in the riverway. The 3 members representing recreational user groups may not reside in any of the 6 specified counties. The board was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 31 and attached to the Department of Natural Resources. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 attached the board to the Department of Tourism.

**STATE FAIR PARK BOARD**

Members: John Yingling, chairperson; Susan Crane (general business representative); Senators Carpenter, Farrow; Representatives Riemer, Ripp (legislative members recommended by party leadership and appointed by governor); Mary Maas (general business experience); vacancy (business technology experience); Dan Devine (West Allis resident); Sue Rupnow (agriculture business representative); Aldo Madrigano (state resident); Ben Brancel (secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection); Stephanie Klett (secretary of tourism). (All except ex officio members or designees are appointed by governor with senate consent.)

Chief Executive Officer: Rick Frenette, (414) 266-7020.

Executive Assistant: Marian Santiago-Lloyd, (414) 266-7021.

Mailing Address: 640 South 84th Street, West Allis 53214.

Telephones: (414) 266-7000; (414) 266-7100 (ticket office); (800) 884-FAIR (recorded announcement of events).
**Agency Responsibility:** The State Fair Park Board manages the State Fair Park and supervises its use for fairs, exhibits, or promotional events for agricultural, commercial, educational, and recreational purposes. It also leases or licenses the property at reasonable rates for other uses when not needed for public purposes. The board is directed to develop new facilities at State Fair Park and to provide a permanent location for an annual Wisconsin State Fair, major sports events, agricultural and industrial expositions, and other programs of civic interest.

**Organization:** The State Fair Park Board consists of 13 members. Legislative members, who represent the majority and minority parties, are nominated by party leadership and appointed by the governor. The 7 citizen members serve staggered 5-year terms. The departmental secretaries may designate members to serve in place of the secretaries. The board appoints the park director from outside the classified service.

**History:** Beginning with the first Wisconsin State Fair at Janesville in October 1851, the event has served as a showcase for Wisconsin agriculture and commerce. The State Agricultural Society, which sponsored the first fair, continued to operate it through 1897. In that year, Chapter 301 created the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture and placed operation of the fair under its control. When the Department of Agriculture was created in 1915, the state fair became part of the new department.

In Chapter 149, Laws of 1961, the independent Wisconsin Exposition Department, headed by a 7-member board, was created to manage the fair and the park’s year-round operation. Under the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the Exposition Department became the Wisconsin Exposition Council in the Department of Local Affairs and Development.

Chapter 125, Laws of 1971, created a 3-member State Fair Park Board, appointed by the governor and attached to the Department of Agriculture for administrative purposes. In 1985 Wisconsin Act 20, the legislature increased board membership to 5, specified 5-year terms of service, and required senate confirmation of the governor’s nominees.

In 1990, as provided by 1989 Wisconsin Act 219, the State Fair Park Board became an independent body. 1995 Wisconsin Act 27 attached the board to the Department of Tourism, and 1999 Wisconsin Act 197 revised and increased board membership.

Over the years, the location of the state fair was debated and even its continued existence was in doubt. At various times between 1851 and 1885, Fond du Lac, Janesville, Madison, Milwaukee, and Watertown hosted the fair. Milwaukee was chosen as the state fair site from 1886 through 1891, and the fairs held there were so successful that a permanent site was purchased in what is now West Allis, a Milwaukee suburb. That site, first used for the 1892 fair, is included in the state fair’s location today.

Several studies published during the 1960s recommended that the fair be moved to a larger site in the Milwaukee area. Chapter 125, Laws of 1971, decided the fair would remain at its site (partially in West Allis, partially in Milwaukee), with updated or new facilities being funded through self-amortizing state bonds. Fair operations have been self-financed since 1935. 1999 Wisconsin Act 9 provided funding for substantial construction and renovation of park facilities. 1999 Wisconsin Act 197 authorized the board to create a nonprofit corporation to raise funds and provide support and contract with that same corporation for operation and development of the park. Act 197 also authorized the park board to permit private individuals to construct facilities on fair grounds under a lease agreement with the board.

Today, State Fair Park draws more than 2 million visitors to its events and activities each year, and the Wisconsin State Fair, with attendance of more than one million, remains the state’s oldest and largest annual event.
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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7910, Madison 53707-7910.
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Number of Employees: 3,512.04.
Total Budget 2013-15: $6,096,356,800.
Statutory References: Sections 15.46, 15.465, and 15.467; Chapters 82-86, 110, 114, 340-349, and 351.
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  State Patrol Regions (5)

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  Planning and Economic Development
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**Publications:** Biennial Report; Connections 2030; Five-Year Airport Improvement Program (online; updated monthly); *Rustic Roads*; Six-Year Highway Improvement Program; Traffic Safety Reporter; *Trucking Wisconsin Style*; Wisconsin Aeronautical Chart (even-numbered years); Wisconsin Airport Directory (odd-numbered years); Wisconsin Commercial Driver’s Manual (online); Wisconsin Driver’s Book (online); Wisconsin Highway Map; Wisconsin Motorcycle Crash Facts; Wisconsin Motorcyclists’ Handbook (online); Wisconsin Motorists’ Handbook (online); Wisconsin Traffic Crash Facts (annual).

**Agency Responsibility:** The Department of Transportation is responsible for the planning, promotion, and protection of all transportation systems in the state. Its major responsibilities involve highways, motor vehicles, motor carriers, traffic law enforcement, railroads, waterways, mass transit, and aeronautics.

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*There are 131 public use airports, 8 commercial airports, and about 6,000 active registered aircraft in Wisconsin.* (Department of Transportation)
The department works with several federal agencies in the administration of federal transportation aids. It also cooperates with departments at the state level in travel promotion, consumer protection, environmental analysis, and transportation services for elderly and handicapped persons.

**Organization:** The secretary is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate and has overall management responsibility for the department. The secretary appoints the deputy secretary, assistant deputy secretary, and all division administrators from outside the classified service.

**Unit Functions:** The *Division of Business Management* plans and administers the department’s programs for accounting and auditing, information technology, human resources, purchasing, vehicle fleet, facilities, and management services.

The *Division of Motor Vehicles* issues vehicle titles and registrations, individual identification cards, and handicapped parking permits; examines and licenses drivers, commercial driving instructors, and vehicle salespersons; certifies commercial driver examiners; licenses motor carriers, commercial driving schools, vehicle dealers, manufacturers, and distributors; and investigates consumer complaints about vehicle sales and trade practices. It keeps the records of drivers’ traffic violations and demerit points. It is responsible for the vehicle emissions inspection program, and it administers reciprocal trucking agreements with other states and the Canadian provinces and provides traffic accident data to law enforcement officials, highway engineers, and traffic safety and media representatives. The division operates 5 regional offices, 81 customer service centers, and 11 travel locations to support the state’s approximately 4.5 million licensed drivers and ID card holders and over 5.4 million registered vehicles.

The *Division of State Patrol* promotes highway safety by enforcing state traffic laws regarding motor vehicles and motor carriers. The State Patrol also has criminal law enforcement powers and can assist local law enforcement agencies by providing emergency police services. It oper-

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There are 81 public bus and shared-ride taxi systems providing service in Wisconsin. Approximately 48% of Wisconsin transit riders are headed to work and 23% to school. (Department of Transportation)
ates the statewide mobile data communications network, which is available to local law enforcement agencies, and it makes annual inspections of Wisconsin’s school buses and ambulances. The division oversees 5 regional offices and a law enforcement training academy open to all federal, state, county, local, and tribal law enforcement officers.

The Division of Transportation Investment Management performs statewide planning for highways, railroads, harbors, airports, and mass transit and promotes a multimodal transportation system to best serve state citizens and businesses. The division directs data collection; provides service to local governments and planning agencies; and manages state road aids, highway finance, and other transportation assistance programs. The division is responsible for uniform statewide direction in the planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of Wisconsin’s airports, harbors, highways, and railroads. The division is involved with the state’s 130 public use airports, 4,200 miles of railroad tracks, 29 commercial water ports, and harbors, and the approximately 12,000 miles of roads and streets in the State Trunk Highway (STH) system, including 743 miles of Interstate highways within the state. The division administers all state and federal funding for airport, railroad, and harbor development projects in Wisconsin.

The Division of Transportation System Development performs development, maintenance, and operations functions related to the STH system. The division is split into two basic areas: Statewide Bureaus and Regional Operations. It provides uniform direction in planning, design, and construction phases of project delivery as well as improving the safety and efficiency of the STH system. The division also provides leadership in the protection of public interests and resources through public and local interactions.

The six state statewide bureaus include: 1) Highway Maintenance, 2) Project Development, 3) Structures, 4) Technical Services, 5) Traffic Operations, and 6) Office of Business Opportunity, Equity and Compliance. These statewide bureaus advise the regional offices as well as other divisions regarding engineering, economic, environmental, and social standards and practices. The division also monitors the quality and efficiency of the department’s various programs and assures compliance with federal and state laws and regulations. The five regions manage the operation and development of state highways and participate in the development, management, and implementation of local road and non-highway transportation projects. They also maintain working relationships with local units of government, represent the department in local and regional planning efforts, and represent local and regional needs in departmental processes.

History: The history of the Department of Transportation mirrors the evolution of 20th century transportation. The Highway Commission was created when Chapter 337, Laws of 1911, authorized state aid for public highways. Later, Chapter 410, Laws of 1939, consolidated registration, licensing, inspection, enforcement, and highway safety promotion in the Motor Vehicle Department. The legislature established the Aeronautics Commission in Chapter 513, Laws of 1945, and directed it to cooperate with the federal government and other states to “prepare for the generally expected extensive expansion of aviation following the termination of World War II.”

The Department of Transportation was created by Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, which merged the Highway Commission, the Aeronautics Commission, and the Motor Vehicle Department. Chapter 500, Laws of 1969, required three divisions within the department: aeronautics, highways, and motor vehicles. The department was strengthened by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, which vested accountability at the departmental, instead of divisional, level and gave the secretary, rather than the governor, the authority to appoint division heads. The secretary was also allowed to reorganize the department with the governor’s approval.

Statutory Board and Councils

Highway Safety, Council on: RANDALL R. THIEL (state officer), chairperson; RICHARD VAN BOXTEL (citizen member), vice chairperson; SENATORS MARKEIN, PETROWSKI; 3 vacancies (assembly representatives); JOHN CORBIN, STEPHEN FITZGERALD, PATRICK HUGHES, JEFF PLALE (state officers); ROBERT BARTEN, LAVERNE E. HERMANN, BRIAN LUETH, KURT SCHULTZ (citizen members). (All except legislators are appointed by governor.)

The 15-member Council on Highway Safety advises the secretary about highway safety matters. The council consists of 2 senators and 3 representatives. At least one senator and at least
one representative must serve on standing committees that deal with transportation matters. The other 10 members, who serve staggered 3-year terms, include 5 state officers with transportation and highway safety duties and 5 citizen members. The council was originally created in the Office of the Governor by Chapter 276, Laws of 1969, and was moved to the Department of Transportation by Chapter 34, Laws of 1979. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.467 (3) and 85.07 (2) of the statutes.

**Rustic Roads Board:** MARION FLOOD, chairperson; DANIEL FEDDERLY, vice chairperson; SENATOR PETROWSKI; REPRESENTATIVE RIPP; RAYMOND DEHAHN, BARBARA LAMUE, BRUCE LINGREN, ALAN LORENZ, CHARLES RAVALA, THOMAS SOLHEIM. (Nonlegislative members are appointed by secretary of transportation.)

The 10-member Rustic Roads Board oversees the application and selection process of locally-nominated county highways and local roads for inclusion in the Rustic Roads network. Established in 1973, the Rustic Roads Program is a partnership between local officials and state government to showcase some of Wisconsin’s most picturesque and lightly-traveled roadways for the leisurely enjoyment of hikers, bikers, and motorists. The board includes the chairpersons of the senate and assembly committees with jurisdiction over transportation matters. Its 8 nonlegislative members serve staggered 4-year terms, and at least 4 of them must be nominees of the Wisconsin Counties Association. The board was created by Chapter 142, Laws of 1973, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.465 (2) and 83.42 of the statutes.

**Uniformity of Traffic Citations and Complaints, Council on**

The 10-member Council on Uniformity of Traffic Citations and Complaints recommends forms used for traffic violations. The council was created by Chapter 292, Laws of 1967, as the Uniform Traffic Citation and Complaint Committee and renamed by 1985 Wisconsin Act 145. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.467 (4) and 345.11 of the statutes.

The council meets on an as-needed basis, and members are designated when required. Members include the secretary of transportation or designee, a member of the Department of Transportation responsible for law enforcement, a member designated by the Director of State Courts, and members designated by the presidents of the following: the Wisconsin Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs Association, the County Traffic Patrol Association, the Chiefs of Police Association, the State Bar of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Council of Safety, the Wisconsin District Attorneys Association, and the Judicial Conference.

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_Publications:_ biennial and annual reports; _Fact Book: Introduction to the University of Wisconsin System_; unit bulletins, catalogs, reports, circulars; periodicals and books.

_Number of Employees:_ 34,789.96.

_Total Budget 2013-15:_ $11,759,875,400.

_Constitutional Reference:_ Article X, Section 6.

_Statutory References:_ Section 15.91; Chapter 36.
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The UW Colleges is an institution of the University of Wisconsin System comprised of 13 campuses and UW Colleges Online. UW Colleges offers an Associate of Arts and Science degree and a single Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree. By providing an affordable, accessible education, UW Colleges prepares more than 14,000 students of all ages and backgrounds for success in some 200 baccalaureate and professional programs. While UW Colleges faculty and staff are employed by the UW System, municipalities and/or counties own the campuses and buildings in which the UW Colleges are located. Visit www.uwc.edu for information.

UW-Extension serves Wisconsin families, businesses, and communities statewide through offices in all 72 Wisconsin counties and three tribal nations, continuing education services through all 26 UW System campuses, the UW Flexible Option partnership with UW System campuses, the statewide broadcasting networks of Wisconsin Public Radio and Wisconsin Public Television, and small business and entrepreneurship activities throughout the state.

The 18-member Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System has primary responsibility for the governance of the UW System. The board plans for the future of public higher education in Wisconsin; appoints the president of the UW System, the chancellors of the 13 universities, and the chancellor of the UW Colleges and UW-Extension; sets admission standards; reviews and approves university budgets; and establishes the regulatory framework within which the individual units operate.

Two members serve ex officio; all other members are appointed to the board by the governor. The student members serve staggered 2-year terms; and the other 14 citizen members serve staggered 7-year terms. At least one of the citizen members shall reside in each of the state’s congressional districts.

Unit Functions: The president of the University of Wisconsin System has full executive responsibility for system operation and management. This officer carries out the duties prescribed by statute; implements the policies established by the board of regents; manages and coordinates the system’s administrative offices; and exercises fiscal control through budget development, management-planning programs, and coordination and evaluation of the academic programs on all campuses.

Each chancellor serves as executive head of a particular campus or program, administers board policies under the direction of the system’s president, and is accountable to the board of regents. Subject to board policy, the chancellors, in consultation with their faculties, design curricula and set degree requirements; determine academic standards and establish grading systems; define and administer institutional standards for faculty peer evaluation; screen candidates for appointment, promotion, and tenure; administer auxiliary services; and control all funds allocated to or generated by their respective programs. One chancellor administers both UW Colleges and UW-Extension.

History: Today’s UW System is the product of the 1971 merger of two existing university boards – the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin and the Board of Regents of the State Universities – and the institutions they governed.

From earliest times, Wisconsin lawmakers recognized the need for a tax-supported university. The territorial legislature passed laws in 1836, 1838, and 1839 regarding establishment and location of a university, and Article X, Section 6, of the state constitution ratified in 1848, provided for a state university at or near the seat of state government. Chapter 20, Laws of 1848, which implemented the constitutional provision, delegated university administration to a board of regents and classes began in 1849. Critical to the university’s early development was Chapter 114, Laws of 1866, which reorganized the board of regents, expanded its authority, and authorized the governor to appoint the regents. The 1866 reorganization provided for instruction in agriculture on the Madison campus and an experimental farm, thereby making the university eligible, as Wisconsin’s land-grant institution, to receive the proceeds derived from sale of lands granted by the federal government to support agricultural education and research.

The State Universities originated with Chapter 82, Laws of 1857, which provided funds for a system of 2-year normal schools to train teachers and created the Board of Regents of Normal Schools. The first normal school opened at Platteville in 1866 and the ninth 50 years later at Eau Claire. In 1929, the 9 normal schools became “state teachers colleges” and were authorized
to offer baccalaureate degree programs. They were renamed state colleges in 1951 and state universities in 1964. Chapter 75, Laws of 1967, renamed the governing body, designating it the Board of Regents of State Universities.

Chapter 100, Laws of 1971, mandated the merger of Wisconsin’s two systems of public higher education to form the University of Wisconsin System. Chapter 335, Laws of 1973, recreated Chapter 36 of the statutes and provided a single statutory charter to govern public higher education in Wisconsin. The University of Wisconsin Colleges, which were previously called UW Centers, were renamed by 1997 Wisconsin Act 237.

Statutory Council:

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**Organization Created by Statute**

**Within the University of Wisconsin System**

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Internet Address: www.slh.wisc.edu
Division Fax: (608) 262-3257; Environmental Health Division Fax: (608) 224-6213.

Publications: Reference manual; annual report; research annual report, fee schedules; assorted special publications.

Number of Employees: 309.75.
Total Budget 2013-15: $68,310,600.
Statutory References: Sections 15.07 (1), 15.915 (2), and 36.25 (11).

Agency Responsibility: The Laboratory of Hygiene, headed by a director appointed by the State Laboratory of Hygiene Board upon recommendation of the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, provides complete laboratory services for appropriate state agencies and local health departments in the areas of water quality, air quality, public health, and contagious diseases. It performs laboratory tests and consultation for physicians, health officers, local agencies, private citizens, and resource management officials to prevent and control diseases and environmental hazards. As part of the UW-Madison, the laboratory provides facilities for teaching and research in the fields of public health and environmental protection.

The laboratory operates under the direction and supervision of the Laboratory of Hygiene Board, composed of 11 members, 7 of whom are appointed by the governor to serve 3-year terms.

History: Chapter 344, Laws of 1903, created the Laboratory of Hygiene at the University of Wisconsin to examine water supplies, investigate contagious and infectious diseases, and function as the official laboratory of the State Board of Health. The executive branch reorganization act of 1967 extended the laboratory’s services to the Department of Natural Resources.

Independent Units Attached for Budgeting, Program Coordination, and Related Management Functions by Section 15.03 of the Statutes

Environmental Education Board: Jim Jensen (business and industry representative), chairperson; Senator Risser, vacancy; Representatives Danou, Mursau; Randy Champeau (designated by president, UW System), Janet Hutchens (designated by secretary of natural resources), Victoria Rydberg (designated by superintendent of public instruction), Carrie Morgan (designated by president, Technical College System Board); Beth Carreno (nature centers, museums, zoos representative), Connie Lawniczak (energy representative), Ruth Ann Lee (conservation and environmental organizations representative), Theresa Lehman (labor representative), Donald Peterson (forestry representative), Amy Schiebel (higher education institutions faculty representative), Debra Weitzel (environmental educators representative), Loren Wolfe (agricultural representative). (Unless otherwise designated, members are appointed by president of UW System.)

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Internet Address: www.uwsp.edu/cnr/weeb

Statutory References: Sections 15.915 (6), 36.54.

Agency Responsibility: The Environmental Education Board awards matching grants to public agencies and nonprofit corporations to develop and distribute environmental education programs. The board consults with the state’s educational agencies, the Department of Natural Resources, and other state agencies to identify needs and establish priorities for environmental education. Its 17 members include 9 representatives of educational institutions and nongovernmental interest groups who are appointed to serve 3-year terms. The senate and assembly members must represent the majority and the minority parties in their respective houses. The
board was created by 1989 Wisconsin Act 299 and was transferred from the Department of Public Instruction to the UW System by 1997 Wisconsin Act 27.

VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY BOARD
Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Board: Sandra Larson (livestock producer), chairperson; Ben Brancel (secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection), Darrell Bazzell (designated by chancellor of UW-Madison), Mark Markel (Dean of the UW-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine), Sherry Shaw (veterinarian employed by the federal government); Alissa Grawnalt (livestock producer); James Meronak, Steve Van Lannen (representing animal agriculture); Ray Pawlisch (practicing veterinarian); Philip Bochsler (laboratory director) (nonvoting member). (All except ex officio members are appointed by governor.)

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Statutory References: Sections 15.915 (1) and 36.58.

Agency Responsibility: The Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Board oversees the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, which provides animal health testing and diagnostic services on a statewide basis for all types of animals. The board has 10 members, 6 of whom are appointed by the governor. Five of these members serve staggered 3-year terms, while one member, a veterinarian employed by the federal government, serves at the pleasure of the governor. The board prescribes policies for the laboratory’s operation, develops its biennial budget, and sets fees for laboratory services. It also consults with the UW-Madison chancellor on the appointment of the laboratory director.

History: Both the board and the laboratory were created by 1999 Wisconsin Act 107, which transferred the laboratory’s facilities and employees from the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to the UW System, effective July 1, 2000.

Department of VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Fax: 264-7616.
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Number of Employees: 1,292.70.
Total Budget 2013-15: $271,827,600.
Statutory References: Section 15.49; Chapter 45.

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Publications: The Bugle; The Courier; brochures on the state veterans’ programs and services for Wisconsin veterans, Wisconsin Veterans Museum (Madison), the Wisconsin Veterans Home (King), the Wisconsin Veterans Home (Union Grove), and Wisconsin’s veterans memorial cemeteries.

Agency Responsibility: The Department of Veterans Affairs works on behalf of Wisconsin’s veterans community – veterans, their families and their survivors – in recognition of their service and sacrifice to our state and nation. It oversees veterans benefits, programs, and services in the areas of education, health care, and federal claims assistance, among others. It also operates the Wisconsin veterans homes at Chippewa Falls, King, and Union Grove, the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison, the Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Union Grove, the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery near Spooner, and the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at King. The department currently serves an estimated 397,000 veterans living in Wisconsin.

Organization: The department is headed by a secretary who directs and supervises departmental activities. The secretary, who must be a veteran, is nominated by the governor after personally consulting with the presiding officers of at least 6 Wisconsin veterans organizations and appointed with advice and consent of the senate. The board of veterans affairs consists of 9 members appointed by the governor with senate consent who serve staggered 4-year terms. All board members must be veterans, as defined by statute, and there must be at least one member of the board who is a resident of each congressional district. The secretary, after consulting with the board, may promulgate administrative rules necessary to carry out the powers and duties of the department.

Unit Functions: The Division of Management Services administers information technology, human resources, risk management, personnel benefits, continuity of operations, and employee training.

The Division of Veterans Benefits administers an array of grants, benefits, programs, and services to all eligible state veterans, their families, and to many organizations that serve veterans. Through the various grants awarded to providers, veterans are then assisted with transportation to medical appointments, access to health care services not provided by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, subsistence assistance in emergency situations, and additional education opportunities. The Veterans Benefit Resource Center assists veterans with all of their calls and questions, while the eligibility section determines applicants’ eligibility for veterans in order to receive benefits from the department and other agencies.

The division also maintains responsibility for the department’s three cemeteries: Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Spooner, Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at King, and Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Union Grove. These cemeteries provide burial space for veterans, their spouses, and eligible family members.

The division administers the military funeral honors program, coordinating the efforts of veterans service organizations, the active duty military and reserve forces, as well as the Wisconsin National Guard.

The Division of Veterans Homes administers the state’s facilities for eligible veterans who are in need of short-term rehabilitation or long-term skilled nursing care. Applicants must apply their income and resources to the cost of their care as required by Medicaid eligibility standards. The spouses, surviving spouses, children, and parents of eligible veterans may also be admitted.

The Wisconsin Veterans Home at Chippewa Falls is a 72-bed skilled nursing facility where a multidisciplinary team of physicians, nurses, therapists, and social workers develop a customized, goal-oriented treatment plan to address each resident’s specific needs.

The Wisconsin Veterans Home at King serves 721 members. It includes four licensed skilled nursing care buildings and the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Residents re-
receive complete medical, nursing, and rehabilitative care, along with therapeutic treatments and social services.

The Wisconsin Veterans Home at Union Grove is capable of serving 198 members by providing a 40-bed assisted living residence and a 158-bed skilled nursing facility. This continuum of care is available to veterans and their spouses and offers assistance with health care, daily living needs, memory care, short-term rehabilitation, and long-term care.

The Division of Veterans Services provides programs, services, employment, and outreach assistance and information to Wisconsin veterans and their families. The programs and services assist Wisconsin veterans by enhancing their education, training, personal well-being, and employment opportunities. The division, through its Claims Bureau, provides increased access to other state benefits and federal programs related to VA compensation, pension, and medical care. In addition, the division assists those veterans with benefits and programs related to their disability, former incarceration, substance abuse, mental health, and housing needs. The division also works to certify veterans related educational programs and audit all educational institutions accepting the federal G.I. Bill for veterans.

The Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison is dedicated to Wisconsin veterans of all wars. It houses and exhibits artifacts related to Wisconsin’s participation in U.S. military actions from the Civil War to the present and offers programs to the public on the history of Wisconsin’s war efforts.

History: Legislation to benefit Wisconsin veterans dates back to the post-Civil War era. Most of the enactments between the Civil War and World War I were concerned with providing relief for destitute veterans and their families. In 1887, the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR), the prominent Civil War veterans’ organization, founded the Grand Army Home at King, supported by private donations and federal and state subsidies. Now called the Wisconsin Veterans Home, the institution was first operated by the GAR and later by a state board and the adjutant general’s office. Further recognition of Civil War veterans came in 1901, when the legislature established a Grand Army of the Republic headquarters and museum in the State Capitol. In 1993, the state opened the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in a separate building on the Capitol Square. The Southern Wisconsin Veterans Home at Union Grove, authorized in 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, opened in 2001.

After World War I, the 1919 Legislature granted a cash bonus, or alternatively an education bonus, to soldiers who fought in the war. It also created a fund for the relief of sick, wounded, or disabled veterans, administered by the Service Recognition Board and later its successor, the Soldiers’ Rehabilitation Board. Other legislation between World Wars I and II provided funds for hospitalization, memorials, and free courses through the University of Wisconsin-Extension.

Chapter 443, Laws of 1943, created the Veterans Recognition Board to provide medical, hospital, educational, and economic assistance to returning Wisconsin veterans of World War II and their dependents.

The creation of the Department of Veterans Affairs by Chapter 580, Laws of 1945, brought all veterans programs under a single agency. The department absorbed the Grand Army Home, the GAR Memorial Hall, the veterans claim services, and the Soldiers’ Rehabilitation Board. The department was assigned the economic aid, hospital care, and education grants programs. It also took over three segregated veterans funds that were combined into the Veterans Trust Fund in 1961.

Two major new programs relating to housing and education were implemented after World War II. Beginning with legislation in 1947, programs were established to help veterans finance home loans through a trust fund. The state supreme court declared earmarking liquor tax money for the fund unconstitutional under the internal improvements clause, but a constitutional amendment, approved by the voters in 1949, resolved the problem. Chapter 627, Laws of 1949, authorized loans to qualified veterans for a portion of the value of their housing. The legislature converted this program to a second mortgage home loan program in 1973, when it established the Primary Home Loan Program that is financed with general obligation bonds. The state’s use of general obligation bonding to offer home loans to veterans raised constitutional concerns.
The legislature responded by proposing an amendment to the Wisconsin Constitution, which the voters ratified in April 1975.

1997 Wisconsin Act 27 expanded eligibility for state veterans benefits to any person who has served on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for two continuous years or the full period of the individual’s initial service obligation, whichever is less, regardless of when or where the service occurred, including during peacetime. Previously, to be considered a “veteran” for the purposes of state benefits, a person must generally have performed active service for 90 days or more during a designated war period or a period of duty during specified conflicts or peacekeeping operations.

1999 Wisconsin Act 136 required the department to administer a program to coordinate the provision of military funeral honors to eligible deceased veterans. 2003 Wisconsin Act 102 authorized the department to develop and operate residential, treatment, and nursing care facilities in northwestern Wisconsin, on surplus land located at the Northern Wisconsin Center for the Developmentally Disabled in Chippewa Falls.

2011 Wisconsin Act 36 placed the direction and supervision of the department under the secretary of veterans affairs, rather than the board. It also increased the size of the board from 7 to 9 members, reduced their terms of office from 6 to 4 years, and required that at least one member of the board be a resident of each congressional district. 2013 Wisconsin Act 20 transferred disabled veterans’ outreach and local veterans’ employment representative programs from the Department of Workforce Development to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Statutory Council

Council on Veterans Programs: ROGER FETTERLY (Military Officers Association of America), STEVE HOUSE (Vietnam Veterans of America), PHILLIP LANDGRAF (Marine Corps League), PAUL FISK (American Legion), ALBERT W. LABELLE, JR. (Disabled American Veterans), MICHAEL FURGAL (Veterans of Foreign Wars), RUSS ALSTEEIN (Navy Club), DAVID SCHMIDT (AMVETS), DON HEILIGER (American Ex-Prisoners of War), RICH PETERS (Vietnam Veterans Against the War), vacancy (Catholic War Veterans of the U.S.A.), BEN BERLIN (Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.), JOHN RECKLIES (Polish Legion of American Veterans), WILLIAM SIMS (National Association for Black Veterans, Inc.), PAUL FINE (Army Navy Union), WILLIAM MAY (Wisconsin Association of Concerned Veterans Organizations), ASHLEY NATYSIN (United Women Veterans, Inc.), RUSSELL COLLINS (U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II), WILLIAM HUSTAD (Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans, Inc.), WILLIAM LOBECK (Military Order of the Purple Heart), MICHEL SOEHNER (American Red Cross), JOE AULIK (County Veterans Service Officers Association), KEN NESS (Wisconsin Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America), LENNY SHIER (Retired Enlisted Association), FERNANDO RODRIGUEZ (American GI Forum), GARY TRAYNOR (Blinded Veterans Association of Wisconsin). (All are appointed by their respective organizations).

The 26-member Council on Veterans Programs studies and presents policy alternatives and recommendations to the Board of Veterans Affairs. It is comprised of representatives appointed for one-year terms by organizations that have a direct interest in veterans’ affairs. The council was created by Chapter 443, Laws of 1943, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.497 and 45.35 (3d) of the statutes.

Department of WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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Human Resource Services
Information Technology Services

Division of Employment and Training
Bureaus of:
Apprenticeship Standards
Job Service Program
Management and Special Populations
Workforce Information and Technical Supports
Workforce Training
Job Centers (26)

Equal Rights Division
Bureaus of:
Civil Rights
Labor Standards
Office of Support Services

Division of Unemployment Insurance
Bureaus of:
Benefit Operations
Legal Affairs
Management and Information Services
Tax and Accounting

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Bureaus of:
Consumer Services Management Services
Local Offices

Worker’s Compensation Division
Bureaus of:
Claims Management Insurance Programs Legal Services

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Agency Responsibility: The Department of Workforce Development conducts a variety of work-related programs designed to connect people with employment opportunities in Wisconsin. It has major responsibility for the state’s employment and training services; job centers; job...
training and placement services provided in cooperation with private sector employers; apprenticeship programs; and employment-related services for people with disabilities. It oversees the unemployment insurance and worker’s compensation programs and is also responsible for adjudicating cases involving employment discrimination, housing discrimination, and labor law.

**Organization:** The department is administered by a secretary who is appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The secretary appoints the division administrators from outside the classified service.

**Unit Functions:** The Administrative Services Division provides management and program support to the other divisions, including facilities, finance, human resources, and information technology services.

The Division of Employment and Training oversees all workforce services administered by the department including the state labor exchange system (www.jobcenterofwisconsin.com); analyzes and distributes labor market information; monitors migrant worker services; and operates the state apprenticeship program. The division manages the Wisconsin Fast Forward Program. It also has a statewide network of 26 comprehensive job centers.

The Equal Rights Division, created by Chapter 327, Laws of 1967, enforces state laws that protect citizens from discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations. It also administers the enforcement of family and medical leave laws and the labor laws relating to hours, conditions of work, minimum wage standards, and timely payment of wages. It determines prevailing wage rates and enforces them for state and municipal public works projects not including highway projects. The division also enforces child labor laws and plant closing laws.

The Division of Unemployment Insurance administers programs to pay benefits to unemployed workers, collect employer taxes, resolve contested benefit claims and employer tax

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*Secretary Reggie Newson and State Superintendent Tony Evers meet with Sussex High School student Hudson Byrne at Waukesha County Technical College to discuss a Wisconsin Fast Forward-High School Pupil grant program. (Department of Workforce Development)*
issues, detect unemployment insurance fraud, and collect unemployment insurance overpayments and delinquent taxes. The division also collects wage information for national and Wisconsin New Hire Directory databases.

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation provides employment services to individuals who have significant physical and mental disabilities that create barriers in obtaining, maintaining, or improving employment. Each person is counseled and may receive medical, psychological, and vocational evaluations and training services. Employment programs, which are supported through state and federal funding, include vocational rehabilitation for eligible persons with disabilities; supported employment, including job coaching for individuals with severe disabilities; and the Business Enterprise Program, which establishes business or vending stand locations for individuals who are legally blind.

The Worker’s Compensation Division administers programs designed to ensure that injured workers receive required benefits from insurers or self-insured employers; encourage rehabilitation and reemployment for injured workers; and promote the reduction of work-related injuries, illnesses, and deaths.

History:
In response to the state’s industrialization, which began in the 1880s, Wisconsin took the lead nationally in adjusting labor laws to modern industrial conditions. Based on European models, the legislature adopted social insurance, whereby the costs of correcting labor problems, such as worker injuries and unemployment, were imposed on employers as an inducement to prevent the problems.

Wisconsin’s laws, enacted during the early part of the 20th century, dealt with minimum wages, conditions of employment for women and children, worker’s compensation, free public employment offices, apprenticeship standards, and job safety regulations. Many of these programs served as models for legislation in other states. Wisconsin’s original worker’s compensation act (Chapter 50, Laws of 1911) was the first state law of its kind in the nation. In the 1930s, Wisconsin led in developing the unemployment compensation system (Chapter 20, Laws of Special Session 1931) and issued the first benefit check in the nation in 1936.

Since World War II, Wisconsin has enacted legislation prohibiting discrimination in employment on the basis of race, sex, creed, national origin, marital status, ancestry, arrest or conviction record, off-duty use of lawful products, membership in military reserve, sexual orientation, age, and disability. Similar laws now protect access to housing and public accommodations.

Early in the 20th century, the state delegated labor law administration to a politically independent body of experts, the State Industrial Commission, and its advisory committees. The commission was encouraged to solve problems through administrative decision making and the development of administrative rules to supplement the laws. A close tie between state government and the University of Wisconsin enabled the governor and legislature to translate reforms conceived in the academic arena into law. This cooperative meshing of academic research and government action came to be known as “The Wisconsin Idea”.

The Department of Workforce Development evolved from the Wisconsin Bureau of Labor Statistics, which was created in 1883. The bureau was succeeded by the State Industrial Commission in 1911. Following the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the commission directed the new Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations (DILHR) and was renamed the Industry, Labor and Human Relations Commission by Chapter 276, Laws of 1969. The commission was replaced by a secretary in Chapter 29, Laws of 1977.

Effective July 1, 1996, the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations was renamed the Department of Industry, Labor and Job Development by 1995 Wisconsin Act 29, but the department was given the option of using the name Department of Workforce Development in 1995 Wisconsin Act 289. It formally chose to exercise that option beginning July 1, 1996, and the legislature officially recognized the name choice in 1997 Wisconsin Act 3.

The department was significantly altered by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. It assumed many duties formerly performed by other agencies, in particular supervision of welfare and income maintenance programs and vocational rehabilitation services, which were transferred from the former Department of Health and Social Services. At the same time, the Division of Safety and Buildings was transferred out of the department to the new Department of Commerce.
Wisconsin Act 191 assigned the department primary responsibility for establishing and operating a statewide system for enforcing child, family, and spousal support obligations, including expanded authority to deny, revoke, or suspend various licenses, permits, and credentials of delinquent payers.

The statutes provide that the minimum wage is set through the administrative rules process, which includes legislative review. In January 2004, the secretary established the Minimum Wage Advisory Council to recommend an appropriate increase in the minimum wage. The council was comprised of representatives from business, labor organizations, the university system, and the legislature, and issued its final report on May 1, 2004.

2007 Wisconsin Act 20 created the Department of Children and Families (DCF), beginning July 1, 2008. It also changed the name of the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) to the Department of Health Services and split the responsibilities of DHFS between the two departments. Act 20 also transferred from the Department of Workforce Development to DCF administration of Wisconsin Works, including the child care subsidy program, child support enforcement and paternity establishment, and programs related to temporary assistance to needy families (TANF).

**Statutory Councils and Committee**

**Wisconsin Apprenticeship Council:** KAREN MORGAN (director, Department of Workforce Development Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards), *nonvoting chairperson;* WAYNE BELANGER, JULIE BROLIN, GERT GROHMANN, HENRY HURT, DAVID JONES, DAWN PRATT, CHRIS READER, SUSAN SCAFFIDI, MARY WEHRHEIM (employer representatives); DAVID BRANSON, JOSE BUCIO, KIILA ENGELKE, TERRY HAYDEN, CATHIE TIKKANEN, CLAY TSCHILLARD, MARK WIESEKE, 2 vacancies (employee representatives); BRENT KINDRED, SANDRA SCHMIT (educational representatives); J. WM. CADOTTE, MARY WATERUD (public representatives). (All except educational representatives are appointed by secretary of workforce development.)

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The 23-member Wisconsin Apprenticeship Council advises the department on matters pertaining to Wisconsin’s apprenticeship system. The council consists of 9 representatives of employers and 9 representatives of employees appointed by the secretary of workforce development, one representative of the technical college system appointed by the director of the technical college system, one representative of the Department of Public Instruction appointed by the superintendent of public instruction, 2 members appointed to represent the public interest appointed by the secretary of workforce development, and one permanent classified Department of Workforce Development employee appointed by the secretary of workforce development to serve as the nonvoting chairperson. The council was created by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, and its duties and composition are prescribed in Sections 15.09 (5) and 15.227 (13) of the statutes.

**Labor and Management Council:** Inactive.

The 21-member Labor and Management Council provides a forum for labor, management, and public sector representatives to discuss issues that affect the state’s economy and to foster positive labor-management relations in the workplace. Council members serve 5-year terms. The council was created by 1987 Wisconsin Act 27, and its composition and duties are prescribed in Section 15.227 (17) of the statutes.

**Migrant Labor, Council on:** LUPE MARTINEZ (migrant representative), *acting chairperson/vice chairperson;* SENATOR WIRCH, vacancy; REPRESENTATIVE ZAMARRIPIA, vacancy; JOHN I. BAUKNECHT, ENRIQUE FIGUEROA, KEVIN MAGACE, GUADALUPE RENDON, TERESA TELLEZ-GIRON (migrant representatives); JAMES KERN, ERICA KUNZE, RICHARD W. OKRAY, LILIANA PARODI, STEVE ZIOBRO, vacancy (migrant employer representatives). (All except legislative members are appointed by governor.)

The 16-member Council on Migrant Labor advises the department and other state officials about matters affecting migrant workers. The council’s 4 legislator members represent the 2 major political parties and are appointed “to act as representatives of the public”. The nonlegislative members serve 3-year terms. The council was created by Chapter 17, Laws of 1977,
and its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.227 (8), 103.967, and 103.968 of the statutes.

**Self-Insurers Council:** Richard DeVries, Michael Fontaine, Jill E. Joswiak, Rick Kante, Christine McKINZIE (appointed by secretary of workforce development).

The 5-member Self-Insurers Council advises the department about matters related to companies that cover their own worker’s compensation losses rather than insuring them with an insurance carrier. Members are appointed for 3-year terms by the secretary of the department. The council was created by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, and its duties and composition are prescribed in Sections 15.09 (5) and 15.227 (11) of the statutes.

**Unemployment Insurance, Council on:** Janell Knutson (permanent classified employee of department) (nonvoting member), chairperson; Michael Gotzler, Earl Gustafson, James LaCourt, Scott Manley (employer representatives); Edward Lump (employer representative, small business owner or representing small business association); Sally Feistel, Shane Griesbach, Phillip Neuenfeldt, Mark Reihl, vacancy (employee representatives). (All are appointed by secretary of workforce development.)

The 11-member Council on Unemployment Insurance advises the legislature and the department about unemployment compensation matters. It includes 5 employers and 5 labor representatives who are appointed for 6-year terms, plus a permanent, classified employee of the department who acts as the council’s nonvoting chairperson. In making council appointments, the secretary must consider “balanced representation of the industrial, commercial, construction, nonprofit and public sectors of the state’s economy.” One employer representative must be a small business owner or represent a small business association. The council was created as the Council on Unemployment Compensation by Chapter 327, Laws of 1967. Its name was changed by 1997 Wisconsin Act 39. Its composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.227 (3) and 108.14 (5) of the statutes.

**Worker’s Compensation, Council on:** John Metcalf (nonvoting member), chairperson; Jeffrey J. Beiriger, Jeffrey Brand, James A. Buchen, Christine Johnson, Mary Nugent (employer representatives); Stephanie Bloomingdale, Ron Kent, Scott Redman, Brad Schwanda, Monica Thomas (employee representatives); Steven Ginsburg, Melinda Seiler, vacancy (nonvoting insurance company representatives). (All are appointed by secretary of workforce development.)

The 14-member Council on Worker’s Compensation is appointed by the secretary of the department to advise the legislature and the department about worker’s compensation and related matters. The council was created by Chapter 281, Laws of 1963, as the Advisory Committee on Workmen’s Compensation, appointed by the Industrial Commission. It was given its current name and located in the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations by Chapter 327, Laws of 1967. The council includes three nonvoting representatives of insurers authorized to do worker’s compensation insurance business in Wisconsin and a department employee acting as chairperson. The council’s composition and duties are prescribed in Sections 15.227 (4) and 102.14 (2) of the statutes.

**Health Care Provider Advisory Committee:** John Metcalf (administrator, worker’s compensation division), chairperson; Mary Jo Capodice, Richard Goldberg, Maja Jurisic, Michael Lischak, Ron H. Stark, Sri Vasudevan (medical doctors); Jeff Lynne, Peter Schubbe (chiropractors); Amanda Gilliland, Marlin Nelson (hospital representatives); Barb Janusiak (registered nurse); Jennifer Seidel (physical therapist); Theodore Gertel, Stephen Klos (at-large members). (All are appointed pursuant to Section 102.16 (2m) (g), Wisconsin Statutes, and Section DWD 81.14 (1), Wisconsin Administrative Code.)

The Health Care Provider Advisory Committee advises the department and the Council on Worker’s Compensation on modifications to treatment standards (treatment guidelines) contained in Chapter DWD 81, Wisconsin Administrative Code, for determining necessity of treatment disputes pursuant to Section 102.16 (2m), Wisconsin Statutes. Section 102.15 (2m) (g), created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 172, directs the department to establish the committee, but does not specify its membership. Section DWD 81.14 (1), Wisconsin Administrative Code, created in the Wisconsin Administrative Register of October 2007, Number 622, provides that the
committee is to be composed of the administrator of the worker’s compensation division as chairperson, and 14 other members: 6 doctors of different specialties, 2 chiropractors, 2 hospital representatives, 1 registered nurse, 1 physical therapist, and 2 at-large members. All except the chairperson must be licensed and practicing in Wisconsin, and provide treatment under Section 102.42. Appointments are made by the department from a consensus list of 24 names submitted by the Wisconsin Medical Society, the Wisconsin Chiropractic Association, and the Wisconsin Hospital Association, with the exception of the 2 at-large members selected by the department.

INDEPENDENT UNITS ATTACHED FOR PROGRAM COORDINATION AND RELATED MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY SECTION 15.03 OF THE STATUTES

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

Employment Relations Commission: Commissioners: James R. Scott, chairperson, james.scott@; James Daley, james.daley@; Rodney G. Pasch, rodney.pasch@ (appointed by governor with senate consent).

General Counsel/Team Leader: Peter G. Davis, 243-2421, peterg.davis@
Team Leader: William C. Houlihan, 243-2422, william.houlihan@

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Location: 4868 High Crossing Boulevard, Madison 53704-7403.

Telephone: (608) 243-2424.
Fax: (608) 243-2433.

Agency E-mail Address: werc@werc.state.wi.us
Internet Address: http://werc.wi.gov
Publications: Biennial reports; complaint procedures manual; agency decisions.
Number of Employees: 9.01.
Total Budget 2013-15: $3,466,800.

Statutory References: Sections 15.225 (2), 230.44, and 230.45; Chapter 111.

Agency Responsibility: The Employment Relations Commission promotes collective bargaining and peaceful labor relations in the private and public sectors. It processes various types of labor relations cases, including elections, bargaining unit clarifications, union security referenda, mediations, interest arbitrations, grievance arbitrations, prohibited or unfair labor practices, and declaratory rulings. The commission also issues decisions arising from state employee civil service appeals, including appeals relating to certain classification, examination, and appointment issues, disciplinary actions, hazardous employment injury benefits, and noncontractual grievances. The commission’s decisions are subject to review in state court. In addition to mediating labor disputes, the commission provides training and assistance to parties interested in labor/management cooperation and a consensus approach to resolving labor relations issues.

Organization: The 3 full-time commissioners are chosen for staggered 6-year terms, and the governor designates one commissioner to serve as chairperson for a 2-year term. The chairperson functions as the agency administrator. The general counsel provides advice to the commission, commission staff, advocates, and citizens and serves as liaison to the legislature and to the attorney general, who represents the commission in court.

History: Chapter 51, Laws of 1937, created the Wisconsin Labor Relations Board as an independent agency in the executive branch. Chapter 57, Laws of 1939, replaced the board with the Employment Relations Board and amended state laws governing labor relations. The 1967 Legislature renamed the board the Employment Relations Commission and continued it as an independent agency. 2013 Wisconsin Act 20 attached the commission to the Department of Workforce Development.

Chapter 509, Laws of 1959, authorized municipal employees to organize and be represented by labor organizations in negotiating wages, hours, and conditions of employment. Chapter 124, Laws of 1971, gave municipal employees the right to bargain collectively and made a municipal employer’s refusal to bargain a prohibited practice. Chapters 246 and 247, Laws of

LABOR AND INDUSTRY REVIEW COMMISSION

Labor and Industry Review Commission: Laurie McCallum, chairperson; David Falstad, C. William Jordahl (appointed by governor with senate consent).

General Counsel: Tracey L. Schwalbe, tracey.schwalbe@dwd.wisconsin.gov

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Location: Public Broadcasting Building, 3319 West Beltline Highway, Madison.

Telephone: (608) 266-9850.
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E-mail Address: lirc@dwd.wisconsin.gov

Internet Address: http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/lirc

Number of Employees: 26.50.

Total Budget 2013-15: $6,376,400.

Statutory References: Sections 15.225 and 103.04.

Agency Responsibility: The 3-member Labor and Industry Review Commission is a quasi-judicial body, created by Chapter 29, Laws of 1977, which handles petitions seeking review of the decisions of the Department of Workforce Development related to unemployment insurance, worker’s compensation, fair employment, and public accommodations. It also hears appeals about discrimination in postsecondary education involving a person’s physical condition or developmental disability. Commission decisions may be appealed to the circuit court. Commission decisions are enforced by the Department of Justice or the commission’s legal staff. Commission members serve full-time for staggered 6-year terms, and they select a chairperson from their membership to serve for a 2-year period. By law, the commission’s budget must be transmitted to the governor by the department without modification, unless the commission agrees to the change.
STATE AUTHORITIES

Authorities are public, corporate bodies created for specific purposes.

WISCONSIN AEROSPACE AUTHORITY

Members: THOMAS CRABB (public member), chairperson; MARK HANNA (public member), vice chairperson; THOMAS MULLOOLY (public member), secretary-treasurer; vacancy (appointed by senate president); vacancy (appointed by assembly speaker); KEVIN CROSBY (Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium director); MARK LEE, JUDITH SCHIEBLE, EDWARD WAGNER (public members).

Statutory References: Chapter 114, Subchapter II.

Agency Responsibility: The Wisconsin Aerospace Authority is directed to promote the state’s aerospace industry by developing a business plan in cooperation with the Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium, securing adequate funding for spaceport facilities and services, sponsoring events to attract space-related businesses, advertising the use of spaceports to the public, and establishing a safety program.

Organization: The authority is a public corporation consisting of the director of the Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium and 8 members serving 3-year terms. One member is a state senator appointed by the president of the senate and one member is a state representative appointed by the speaker of the assembly. The 6 public members are nominated by the governor with the consent of the senate and must be Wisconsin residents with experience in the commercial space industry, education, finance, or some other significant experience related to the functions of the authority.

The authority was created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 335.

WISCONSIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Board Members: GOVERNOR SCOTT WALKER, chairperson; DAN ARIENS, RAYMOND DREGER, NANCY HERNANDEZ, COREY HOZE, LISA MAUER, PAUL RADSPINNER (appointed by governor with senate consent); REPRESENTATIVE HUTTON (majority party representative appointed by speaker); REPRESENTATIVE BARCA (minority party representative appointed by speaker); SCOTT KLUG (private sector employee appointed by speaker); SENATOR GUDEX (majority party senator appointed by senate majority leader); SENATOR LASSA (minority party senator appointed by senate majority leader); C. THOMAS SYLKE (private sector employee appointed by senate majority leader); SCOTT NEITZEL (secretary of administration), RICHARD CHANDLER (secretary of revenue) (nonvoting members).

Chief Executive Officer: REED HALL, (608) 210-6701.

Chief Operating Officer: TRICIA BRAUN, (608) 210-6807.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1687, Madison 53701.

Location: 201 West Washington Avenue, 6th Floor, Madison.

Telephone: (855) 469-4249.

Internet Address: inwisconsin.com

Total Budget 2013-15: $100,201,400.

Statutory References: Chapter 238.

Agency Responsibility: The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) develops and implements programs to provide business support and expertise and financial assistance to companies that are investing and creating jobs in Wisconsin and to promote new business start-ups and business expansion and growth in the state. The authority was established in 2011 to assume many of the functions previously performed by the former Department of Commerce.
Organization: The WEDC is an authority, which is a body corporate and politic. It is governed by a 15-member board composed of the governor, who shall serve as chairperson of the board; 6 members appointed by the governor with senate consent to serve at the pleasure of the governor; 3 members appointed by the speaker of the assembly, consisting of one majority and one minority party representative, and one person employed in the private sector to serve at the speaker’s pleasure; and 3 members appointed by the senate majority leader, consisting of one majority and one minority party senator, and one person employed in the private sector to serve at the majority leader’s pleasure. The secretary of administration and the secretary of revenue serve as nonvoting members.

The corporation is administered by a chief executive officer (CEO) nominated by the governor, and with the advice and consent of the senate appointed, to serve at the pleasure of the governor. The board may delegate to the CEO any powers and duties the board considers proper and determines the compensation and qualifications of the CEO and employees. Corporation employees are not state employees but may participate in the Wisconsin Retirement System.

History: The 1911 Legislature created the Industrial Commission in Chapter 485 to set standards for a safe place of employment. This “safe place” statute was extended in Chapter 588, Laws of 1913, to include public buildings. The commission adopted its first building code in 1914.

The state’s promotion of business and economic development originated with the Division of Industrial Development, established in the governor’s office by Chapter 271, Laws of 1955. The division was transferred to the newly created Department of Resource Development in 1959 and renamed the Division of Economic Development. Chapter 614, Laws of 1965, returned the division to the governor’s office. While in the executive office, it absorbed the Office of Economic Opportunity (1966), which had been created in the Department of Resource Development to administer the federal antipoverty programs enacted in 1964. Under the 1967 executive branch reorganization, the division became part of the Department of Local Affairs and Development, and local and regional planning functions were integrated into it.

Chapter 125, Laws of 1971, created the Department of Business Development. The department absorbed the Division of Tourism from the Department of Natural Resources in 1975. Under Chapter 361, Laws of 1979, the Department of Business Development was combined with the Department of Local Affairs and Development to form the Department of Development, subsequently renamed the Department of Commerce (Commerce) by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. The department’s responsibility for state tourism promotion ended with the creation of the Department of Tourism by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27. Act 27 also transferred to Commerce the PECFA program and the safety and buildings functions from the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations; responsibility for plat review from the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection; municipal boundary review from the Department of Administration; and relocation assistance under eminent domain law from the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations. Responsibility for plat review and municipal boundary review was transferred to the Department of Administration by 1997 Wisconsin Act 27. Regulation of manufactured home dealers and manufactured home parks was transferred to the department from the Department of Administration by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9. Act 9 also transferred titling of manufactured homes from the Department of Transportation. Regulation of manufactured home park utilities was transferred from the Public Service Commission by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16. In 2003, Wisconsin Act 33 transferred housing programs to the department from the Department of Administration.

2009 Wisconsin Act 2 deleted five existing zone programs, including the Enterprise Development Zones, the Community Development Zones, the Agricultural Development Zones, the Technology Development Zones, and the Airport Development Zones, and created a new consolidated tax credit program to promote job creation, capital investment, employee training, and job retention in Wisconsin. Act 2 also increased substantially the amount of angel and early-stage seed investment tax credits available annually for high-technology, biotechnology, and nanotechnology start-up companies which had been initiated by 2003 Wisconsin Act 255.

2011 Wisconsin Act 7 created, effective February 24, 2011, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation to develop and administer economic development programs for the state.
Act 7 required Commerce to provide staff or other resources to assist the WEDC in carrying out its duties, and for both entities to coordinate their economic development programs.

2011 Wisconsin Act 32 repealed the Department of Commerce effective July 1, 2011. The act transferred certain of Commerce’s economic development and business promotion responsibilities, including grants, loans, and tax incentives, to the WEDC and housing programs to the Department of Administration. The administration of various other laws relating to the promotion of safety in public and private buildings, including enforcing building codes, and the licensure of occupations that had been regulated by Commerce, such as electricians and plumbers, were transferred to a new Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS), which was also created by Act 32. In addition to the safety and buildings responsibilities transferred from Commerce, the DSPS assumed the other functions previously performed by the Department of Regulation and Licensing, which was also repealed by Act 32.

FOX RIVER NAVIGATIONAL SYSTEM AUTHORITY

Board of Directors: S. TIMOTHY ROSE (Outagamie County representative), chairperson; WILLIAM RAATHS (Winnebago County representative), vice chairperson; JEFFERY W. FELDT (Outagamie County representative), secretary; JOHN L. VETTE (Winnebago County representative), treasurer; KATHRYN CURREN, H. BRUCE ENKE (Brown County representatives); JEAN ROMBACK-BARTELS (designated by secretary of natural resources); WILL DORSEY (designated by secretary of transportation); DAINA PENKIUNAS (designated by director, state historical society) (county residents are appointed by the governor).

Chief Executive Officer: HARLAN P. KIESOW.
Telephone: (920) 759-9833.
Internet Address: http://foxriverlocks.org
Total Budget 2013-15: $250,800.
Statutory References: Chapter 237.

Agency Responsibility: The Fox River Navigational System Authority is responsible for the rehabilitation, repair, and management of the navigation system on or near the Fox River in 3 counties. The federal government transferred ownership of the navigational system to the State of Wisconsin in 2004. The authority may enter into contracts with third parties to operate the system. It may not sublease all or any part of the navigational system without DOA approval. It may enter into contracts with nonprofit organizations to raise funds. The authority may charge fees for services provided to watercraft owners and users of navigational facilities. While the authority may contract debt, it may not issue bonds. It must submit an audited financial statement annually to DOA.

Organization: The Fox River Navigational System Authority is a public corporation consisting of 9 members. The 6 members the governor appoints serve 3-year terms. At least one member from each of the 3 counties must be a resident of a city, village, or town in which a navigational system lock is located. The board appoints the chief executive officer to serve at its pleasure. The authority was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16.

LOWER FOX RIVER REMEDIATION AUTHORITY

Members: TRIPP AHERN, GREGORY CONWAY, ROBERT COWLES, DAVID HANSEN, PATRICK SCHILLINGER, JAMES WALL, vacancy (all appointed by governor with advice and consent of the senate).
Statutory References: Chapter 279.

Agency Responsibility: The authority is authorized to issue assessment bonds for eligible waterway improvement costs, which generally include environmental investigation and remediation of the Fox River extending from Lake Winnebago to the mouth of the river in Lake Michigan, and including any portion of Green Bay in Lake Michigan containing sediments discharged from the river, as described in an administrative or judicial order or decree or an ad-
ministrative or judicially approved agreement. The state is not liable for the authority’s bonds, and the bonds are not a debt of the state.

**Organization:** The authority is a public corporation consisting of 7 members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate, for 7-year terms. Members of the board must be Wisconsin residents and no more than 4 members may be from the same political party. The term of each member expires on June 30 or until a successor is appointed.

The authority was created by 2007 Wisconsin Act 20.

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**Fishing on the Eagle River chain of lakes.** (Department of Tourism)

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**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN HOSPITALS AND CLINICS AUTHORITY**

**Board of Directors:** DAVID WALSH (UW Board of Regents member appointed by board president), chairperson; DAVID WARD (appointed by governor with senate consent), vice chairperson; SENATOR OLSEN (designated by senate cochairperson, Joint Committee on Finance), REPRESENTATIVE KOOVENGA (designated by assembly cochairperson, Joint Committee on Finance); ANDREW HITT, JOHN LITSCHER, LISA REARDON, PABLO SANCHEZ, HUMBERTO VIDAILLET (appointed by governor with senate consent); REGINA MILLNER, JANICE MUELLER (UW Board of Regents members appointed by board president); REBECCA BLANK (chancellor, UW-Madison); ROBERT GOLDEN (dean, UW-Madison Medical School); THOMAS GRIST (departmental chairperson, UW-Madison Medical School, appointed by UW-Madison chancellor), KATHRYN MAY (UW health professions faculty, other than UW Medical School, appointed by UW-Madison chancellor); MICHAEL HEIFETZ (designated by secretary of administration).

**President and Chief Executive Officer:** RONALD SLIWINSKI.

**Mailing Address:** 600 Highland Avenue, Room H4/810, Madison 53792-8350.

**Location:** 600 Highland Avenue, Madison.
Agency Responsibility: The University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority operates the UW Hospital and Clinics, including the American Family Children’s Hospital, and related clinics and health care facilities. Through the UW Hospital and Clinics and its other programs it delivers health care, including care for the indigent; provides an environment for instruction of physicians, nurses, and other health-related disciplines; sponsors and supports health care research; and assists health care programs and personnel throughout the state. Subject to approval by its board of directors, the authority may issue bonds to support its operations and may seek financing from the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority.

Organization: The authority is a public corporation, which is self-financing. It derives much of its income from charges for clinical and hospital services. The 16-member board of directors includes 6 governor’s appointees who serve 5-year terms. The board elects a chairperson annually and appoints the chief executive officer for the authority. The authority was created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, which separated UW Hospital and Clinics and their related services from the UW System, effective July 1, 1996.

WISCONSIN HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Members: Richard Canter, chairperson; Timothy K. Size, vice chairperson; James Dietsche, Kevin Flaherty, Paul Mathews, James Oppermann, Robert Van Meeteren (appointed by governor with senate consent).

Executive Director: Dennis P. Reilly.
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Internet Address: www.whefa.com
Publications: Annual Report; Quarterly Newsletter.
Number of Employees: 4.00 (not state funded).
Statutory Reference: Chapter 231.

Agency Responsibility: The Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority (WHEFA) issues bonds on behalf of private nonprofit facilities to help them finance their capital costs. Since interest earned on the bonds is exempt from federal income taxation, they can be marketed at lower interest rates, which reduces the cost of borrowing. WHEFA has no taxing power and receives no general appropriations from the state; it supports its operations by imposing fees on participating institutions. WHEFA’s bonds and notes are funded solely through loan repayments from the borrowing institution or sponsor. WHEFA’s bonds are not a debt, liability, or obligation of the State of Wisconsin or any of its subdivisions.

WHEFA may issue bonds to finance any qualifying capital project, including new construction, remodeling, and renovation; expansion of current facilities; and purchase of new equipment or furnishings. WHEFA may also issue bonds to refinance outstanding debt.

Organization: WHEFA is a public corporation. Its 7 members are appointed by the governor with consent of the senate for staggered 7-year terms, and no more than 4 may be members of the same political party. Each member’s appointment remains in effect until a successor is appointed. The governor annually appoints one member as chairperson, and the members appoint the vice chairperson and executive director. The executive director and staff are em-
ployed outside the classified service and are not paid by state funds. The members receive no compensation.

**History:** WHEFA was created as the Wisconsin Health Facilities Authority by Chapter 304, Laws of 1973. Operations began in September 1979, after the Wisconsin Supreme Court found the law constitutional in *State ex rel. Wisconsin Health Facilities Authority v. Lindner*, 91 Wis. 2d 145 (1979), when it ruled that assistance to a religiously affiliated hospital does not advance religion or foster unnecessary entanglement between church and state. WHEFA issued its first debt in December 1979.

1987 Wisconsin Act 27 expanded the scope of WHEFA to include assistance to private, tax-exempt colleges and universities and continuing care retirement communities and changed its name to reflect the broader responsibilities. 1993 Wisconsin Act 438 added not-for-profit institutions that have health education as their primary purpose. 2003 Wisconsin Act 109 further expanded the scope of WHEFA to include the issuance of bonds for the benefit of private, tax-exempt elementary or secondary educational institutions. 2009 Wisconsin Act 2 allowed for WHEFA to include the issuance of bonds for the benefit of private, tax-exempt research facilities. 2013 Wisconsin Act 20 expanded the WHEFA statute to include the issuance of bonds for the benefit of all nonprofit institutions and allowed interest income on bonds issued by WHEFA to be exempt from state income tax if such an exemption is already available on bonds eligible to be issued for the same purpose through another Wisconsin conduit issuer.

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**WISCONSIN HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

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All telephone numbers are 608 area code unless otherwise indicated.

Members: Mark R. Hogan, chairperson; Perry Armstrong, vice chairperson; Sue Shore, secretary; Bradley Guse, treasurer; Senators Harris Dodd, Marklein; Representatives Allen, Young; Reed Hall (chief executive officer of Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation), Cate Zeuske (deputy secretary of administration); John Horning, McArthur Weddle. (All except legislative and ex officio members are appointed by governor with senate consent.)

Executive Director: WYMAN B. WINSTON, 266-2893, wyman.winston@wheda.com
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Marketing and Communications: vacancy.
Risk and Compliance: JENNIFER HARRINGTON, director, 266-6622, jennifer.harrington@wheda.com
**Executive Branch**

*Single Family:* Dave Rouse, director; 266-2184, dave.rouse@  
**Publications:** Annual Report; Dividends for Wisconsin.  
**Number of Employees:** 150.00 (not state funded).  
**Total Budget 2014-15:** $18,000,000 (not state funded).  
**Statutory Reference:** Chapter 234.  

**Agency Responsibility:** The Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) provides loans for low- and moderate-income housing, as well as financing programs for business and agricultural development. The authority finances most of its programs through the sale of bonds that are not an obligation of the State of Wisconsin. Since interest earned on the bonds is exempt from federal income taxation, they can be marketed at lower interest rates, which reduces the cost of borrowing.

WHEDA provides low-cost, 30-year fixed financing to low- and moderate-income homebuyers who must meet specific income and loan limits eligibility requirements. WHEDA Advantage mortgages also provide access to down payment assistance, a mortgage credit certificate, and education resources to help home buyers succeed long-term as homeowners. As an exclusive for WHEDA homeowners, the authority offers low-cost home improvement loans to complete up to $15,000 in home repairs as well as a mortgage refinance product designed specifically to make home ownership more affordable for borrowers who currently have a WHEDA loan.

Both federally taxable and tax-exempt bonds are used to finance multifamily housing programs, which include homeless and special needs housing initiatives and loans to help with predevelopment of rental housing projects. In addition, the authority administers the federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program (LIHTC) for developers of affordable rental housing.

WHEDA acts for the state in administering federally funded housing programs in coordination with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Foremost among these are the Section 8 programs of the federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1979, which fund construction and rehabilitation of rental housing through rent subsidies to owners.

A companion organization, the WHEDA Foundation, makes grants to nonprofit organizations and local governments for housing projects that benefit persons-in-crisis. Grants are made to acquire and/or rehabilitate existing housing or construct new housing. The foundation also receives grant money on behalf of WHEDA.

WHEDA administers several economic development loan guarantee and financing programs that encourage job creation and economic growth. Agricultural loan guarantees include the Credit Relief Outreach Program (CROP) to help farmers obtain agricultural production loans; the Farm Asset Reinvestment Management (FARM) program to help farmers who want to start, expand, or modernize operations; and the Agribusiness loan guarantee to help businesses develop or expand production of products using Wisconsin’s raw agricultural commodities.

The authority also provides the WHEDA Small Business Guarantee (WSBG) to acquire or expand a small business; the Contractors Loan Guarantee (CLG) to help contractors complete contracts to build their business; and the Neighborhood Business Revitalization Guarantee (NBRG), used to expand a business or to develop commercial real estate in an urban area. In addition, the authority makes economic development loans in partnership with financing from commercial and community lenders as part of the WHEDA Participation Lending Program (WPLP).

WHEDA, as part of a Wisconsin based Community Development Entity (CDE), is responsible for allocating federal New Market Tax Credits (NMTC). Since 2004, $500 million in NMTCs have been received to help stimulate economic development and job growth in low-income Wisconsin communities. In addition, WHEDA received $22.4 million in federal funding from the State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) to create a small business lending program to help spur private sector job creation.

**Organization:** WHEDA is a public body corporate and politic consisting of 12 members. In addition to the secretary of administration and the CEO of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, or their designees, there are 4 legislative members who must represent the majority and minority party in each house. The 6 public members serve staggered 4-year terms, and the governor selects one to serve as chairperson for a one-year term. The governor appoints
WHEDA’s executive director with the advice and consent of the senate for a 2-year term. Staff members are employed outside the classified service and are not paid from state funds.

**History:** WHEDA was created as the Wisconsin Housing Finance Authority by Chapter 287, Laws of 1971. Program operations began in July 1973, after the Wisconsin Supreme Court declared the Housing Finance Authority constitutional in *State ex rel. Warren v. Nusbaum*, 59 Wis. 2d 391 (1973). The authority issued its first debt instruments in March 1974. In 1983, Wisconsin Act 81 broadened the authority’s mission to include financing for economic development projects and changed the name to the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority. In 1985 Wisconsin Acts 9 and 153 and 1987 Wisconsin Act 421, the legislature expanded WHEDA’s powers to include the insuring and subsidizing of farm operating loans, drought assistance loan guarantees, and interest rate reductions. The legislature added loan guarantee programs for agricultural development and small businesses (1989 Wisconsin Act 31), recycling (1989 Wisconsin Act 335), tourism businesses (1989 Wisconsin Act 336), and businesses located in targeted areas of the state (1991 Wisconsin Act 39). 1993 Wisconsin Act 16 transferred the property tax deferral loan program to WHEDA from the Department of Administration. In 2005, WHEDA’s Modernization Bill (2005 Wisconsin Act 75) was passed, representing the first comprehensive enhancement of WHEDA’s programs in over 30 years. This legislation has increased WHEDA’s financing capacity for affordable housing and business development. 2011 Wisconsin Act 79 expanded business eligibility and loan limits for WHEDA’s business loan guarantee program. 2011 Wisconsin Act 214, signed into law in 2012, allowed the authority to issue federally tax-exempt bonds to finance new business expansion projects. In March 2012, the lifetime limit of $200 million on the aggregate amount of bonds WHEDA may issue for economic development was replaced with an annual cap of $150 million for economic development bonding (Senate Bill 459). In July 2012, WHEDA removed its first-time home buyer requirement for its home loans, enabling more Wisconsin families to qualify for an affordable mortgage. In July 2013, WHEDA received authority to refinance mortgage loans funded or serviced by WHEDA after 2009 (Senate Bill 151).

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*Wisconsin has 84,000 river miles to enjoy.* *(Department of Tourism)*
NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS

A public nonprofit corporation is created by the legislature for a specific purpose.

BRADLEY CENTER SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION

Board of Directors: Ted D. Kellner, chairperson; Andrew A. Petzold, vice chairperson; Ricardo Diaz, Matthew J. Parlow, vacancy (nominated by Bradley Family Foundation); Michael W. Grebe, Jeffrey A. Joerres, Patrick S. Lawton, Gary D. Sweeney. (All are appointed by governor.)

Mailing Address: 1001 North Fourth Street, Milwaukee 53203-1314.
Telephone: (414) 227-0400.
Fax: (414) 227-0497.
E-mail Address: scostello@bcsec.com
Internet Address: www.bmoharrisbradleycenter.com

Statutory Reference: Chapter 232.
Agency Responsibility: The Bradley Center Sports and Entertainment Corporation is a public nonprofit corporation, created by 1985 Wisconsin Act 26 as an instrumentality of the state to receive the donation of the Bradley Center, a sports and entertainment facility located in Milwaukee County, from the Bradley Center Corporation. Its responsibility is to own and operate the center for the economic and recreational benefit of the citizens of Wisconsin. The center is the home of the Milwaukee Bucks basketball team, the Milwaukee Admirals hockey team, and the Marquette University men’s basketball team. Other tenants are family entertainment shows and concerts. The state and its political subdivisions are not liable for any debt or obligation of the corporation. The corporation may not divest itself of the center, nor may it dissolve unless the legislature directs it to do so by law. If the corporation is dissolved, all of its assets become state property.

State law exempts the corporation from most open records and open meeting laws applicable to state agencies, but the board must submit an annual financial statement to the governor and the legislature.

Organization: The corporation’s board of directors is made up of 9 members appointed by the governor, serving staggered 7-year terms. Six members require senate consent, must “represent the diverse interests of the people of this state”, and must be state residents. Three of those 6 must have executive and managerial business experience. The remaining 3 directors are nominated by the Bradley Family Foundation, Inc. No director may be an elected public official; the board selects its chairperson annually.

WISCONSIN ARTISTIC ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION

Members: Inactive.
Statutory Reference: Chapter 247.
Agency Responsibility: The Wisconsin Artistic Endowment Foundation was created as a nonprofit corporation to support the arts by converting donated property and art objects into cash and distributing these and other moneys to the arts board for programs that provide operating support to arts organizations.
Organization: The foundation was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16 and can only be dissolved by the legislature.
REGIONAL AGENCIES

The following agencies were created by state law to function in one specific area of the state, usually an area composed of more than one county.

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS

Regional planning commissions advise local units of government on the planning and delivery of public services to the citizens of a defined region, and they prepare and adopt master plans for the physical development of the region they serve. Regional planning provides a way to address problems that transcend local government boundaries, and offers joint solutions for intergovernmental cooperation.

The commissions may conduct research studies; make and adopt plans for the physical, social, and economic development of the region; assist in grant writing for financial assistance; provide advisory services to local governmental units and other public and private agencies; and coordinate local programs that relate to their objectives. Many commissions serve as a one-stop source of statistical information for the local governments of their area.

Currently, there are nine regional planning commissions, serving all but five of the state’s 72 counties. Their boundaries are based on such considerations as common topographical and geographical features; the extent of urban development; existence of special or acute agricultural, forestry, or other rural problems; or regional physical, social, and economic characteristics.

Among the many categories of projects developed or assisted by regional planning commissions are rail and air transportation, waste disposal and recycling, highways, air and water quality, farmland preservation and zoning, land conservation and reclamation, outdoor recreation, parking and lakefront studies, and land records modernization.

Chapter 466, Laws of 1955, created the statute that governs the state’s regional planning commissions (Section 66.0309, Wisconsin Statutes) and authorized the governor (or a state agency designated by the governor) to create a regional planning commission upon petition by the local governing bodies.

Membership of regional planning commissions varies according to conditions defined by statute. Unless otherwise specified by a region’s local governments, the term of office for a commissioner is six years. The commissions are funded through state and federal planning grants, contracts with local governments for special planning services, and a statutorily authorized levy of up to .003% of equalized real estate value charged to each local governmental unit.

As authorized by state law, Wisconsin’s regional planning commissions have established the Association of Wisconsin Regional Planning Commissions. The association’s purposes include assisting the study of common problems and serving as an information clearinghouse.

Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission

Region: Brown, Door, Florence, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto, and Sheboygan Counties.

Members: DONALD MARKWARDT (Manitowoc), chairperson; MIKE HUTZ (Sheboygan), vice chairperson; ALICE BAUMGARTEN (Marinette), secretary-treasurer; TOM SIEBER (Brown); KEN FISHER (Door); EDWIN A. KELLEY, LARRY NEUENS, RICH WOLOSYN (Florence); ERIC CORROY, VIRGINIA HASKE, CHUCK WAGNER (Kewaunee); CHUCK HOFFMAN, DANIEL KOSKI (Manitowoc); MARY G. MEYER, vacancy (Marinette); TERRY BRAZEAU, DENNIS KROLL, THOMAS KUSSOW (Oconto); ED PROCEK, BRIAN YERGES (Sheboygan).

Executive Director: vacancy.

Mailing Address: 425 South Adams Street, Suite 201, Green Bay 54301.
Telephone: (920) 448-2820; Fax: (920) 448-2823.
Internet Address: www.baylakerpc.org
Capital Area Regional Planning Commission

Region: Dane County.
Members: LARRY PALM (City of Madison appointee), chairperson; PETER MCKEEVER (Dane County Executive appointee), vice chairperson; KRIS HAMPTON (Dane County Towns Association appointee), secretary; ERIC HOHOL (Dane County Cities and Villages Association appointee), treasurer; STEVE ARNOLD, EVAN TOUCHETT (Dane County Cities and Villages Association appointees); CARYL TERRELL (Dane County Executive appointee); MARK GELLER, ED MINIHAN, DAVID PFEIFFER (Dane County Towns Association appointees); ZACH BRANDON, LAUREN CRANE, KEN GOLDEN (City of Madison appointees).

Deputy Director: KAMRAN MESBAH.
Mailing Address: City-County Building, 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Room 362, Madison 53703.
Telephone: 266-4137; Fax: 266-9117.
Internet Address: www.capitalarearpc.org; E-mail Address: info@capitalarearpc.org

East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Members: DONNA KALATA (Waushara), chairperson; MICHAEL R. THOMAS (Outagamie), vice chairperson; BILL BARRIBEAU, MERLIN GENTZ, PAT LAUGHRIN (Calumet); ALLEN BUECHEL, MARTIN FARRELL, JOSEPH MOORE, BRENDI SCHNEIDER, vacancy (Fond du Lac); MURLIE BZDAWKA, MICHAEL CHAPMAN, RUTH M. WINTER (Menominee); TIM HANNA, HELEN NAGLER, TOM NELSON, JEFF NOOYEN, DANIEL RETTLER (Outagamie); JERRY ERDMANN, MARSHAL GEISE, TOM KAUTZ (Shawano); GARY BARRINGTON, DUWAYNE FEDERWITZ, DICK KOEPPEN, BRIAN SMITH (Waupaca); NEAL STREIFLOW, LARRY TIMM (Waushara); DAVID ALBRECHT, ERNIE BELLIN, STEVE CUMMINGS, MARK HARRIS, KEN ROBL, ROBERT SCHMEICHEL (Winnebago); JILL MICHAELSON (transportation department representative); DEBORAH WETTER (public transportation representative).

Executive Director: ERIC W. FOWLE, AICP, efowle@ecwrpc.org
Mailing Address: 400 Ahnape Street, Suite 100, Menasha 54952.
Telephone: (920) 751-4770; Fax: (920) 751-4771.
Internet Address: www.ecwrpc.org

Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission

Region: Buffalo, Crawford, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties.
Members: JAMES KUHN (Monroe), chairperson; MARGARET M. BAECKER (Trempealeau), vice chairperson; VICKI BURKE (La Crosse), secretary-treasurer; DANIEL BARR, DEL D. TWIDT, MARY ANNE McMILLAN URELL (Buffalo); GERALD F. KRACHEY, RONALD LEYS, GREG RUSSELL (Crawford); RON CARNEY, JAMES CHRISTENSON, EUGENE SAVAGE (Jackson); JAMES EHRSAM, TARA JOHNSON (La Crosse); SHARON FOLCEY, CEDRIC SCHNITZLER (Monroe); NORMAN MURRAY, BRUCE PETERSON, DAVID SMITH (Pepin); RICHARD PURDY, JAMES ROSS, WILLIAM SCHROEDER (Pierce); PHILLIP BORRESON, ERNEST VOLD (Trempealeau); NANCY JAEKEL, JAMES NEUBAUER, JO ANN NICKELATTI (Vernon).

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North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Members: ROBERT LUSOW (Lincoln), chairperson; PAUL MILLAN (Forest), vice chairperson; RICHARD BAKOVKA, ROCKY GILNER, vacancy (Adams); BUCKY DAILEY, JIM LANDRU (Forest);
Jerry Niles, Edmund Wafle, Kenneth Winters (Juneau); George Bornemann, Ronald Nye, Paul Schuman (Langlade); Frank Saal, Jr., Douglas Williams (Lincoln); Virginia Heinemann, Craig McEwen, Bettye Nall (Marathon); Harland Lee, Thomas Rudolph, vacancy (Oneida); Bob Egan, Kim Simac, vacancy (Vilas); Tom Haferman, Gerald Nelson, vacancy (Wood).

Executive Director: Dennis L. Lawrence, AICP.

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Northwest Regional Planning Commission


Members: Douglas Finn (Douglas), chairperson; Randy Tatur (Rusk), vice chairperson; Hal Helwig (Sawyer), secretary-treasurer; Deb Lewis, Richard Pufall, Donna Williamson (Ashland); James Crandall, Dennis Pocernich (Bayfield); Ed Peterson, Don Taylor (Burnett); Bruce Hagen, Larry Quam (Douglas); Joseph Pinardi, vacancy (Iron); Robert Kopisch, Carol McLaughlin, Tom Ratzlaff (Price); Marty Reynolds, vacancy (Rusk); Kathy McCoy (Sawyer); Jim Metz, Rollie Thums, Michael Wellner (Taylor); Gary Guskey, Jim Dohm, Steven Sather (Washburn); vacancy (Northwest Tribal nations representative); Rose Gurnoe-Soulier (Red Cliff Tribal Council); Mic Isham (Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Council); Mike Wiggins, Jr. (Bad River Tribal Council); Lewis Taylor (St. Croix Tribal Council); Butch St. Germaine (Lac du Flambeau Tribal Council).

Executive Director: Myron Schuster, mschuster@nwrpc.com

Mailing Address: 1400 South River Street, Spooner 54801-1390.

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Internet Address: www.nwrpc.com

Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Region: Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Walworth, Washington, and Waukesha Counties.

Members: David L. Stroik (Washington), chairperson; Charles Colman (Walworth), vice chairperson; Adeleine Greene (Kenosha), secretary; William R. Drew (Milwaukee), treasurer; Robert W. Pitts, Michael J. Skalitzky (Kenosha); Marina Dimitrijevic, Brian R. Dranzik (Milwaukee); Thomas H. Buestrin, Gustav W. Wirth, Jr., vacancy (Ozaukee); Mike Dawson, Dave Eberle, Peggy Shumway (Racine); Nancy Russell, Linda Seemeyer (Walworth); Daniel S. Schmidt, Daniel W. Stoffel (Washington); Michael Crowley, Jose Delgado, James T. Dwyer (Waukesha).

Executive Director: Kenneth R. Yunker.

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Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Region: Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland Counties.

Members: Art Carter (Green), chairperson; Tim McGettigan (Lafayette), vice chairperson; Jeanetta Kirkpatrick (Richland), secretary-treasurer; Robert Keeney, Eileen Nickels, Jerry Wehrle (Grant); Michael Doyle, Nathan L. Klassy (Green); Carol Anderson, John Meyers, Todd Novak (Iowa); Jeff Riechers, Jack Sauer (Lafayette); Raymond Schmitz, Robert Smith (Richland).

Executive Director: Lawrence T. Ward, l.ward@swwrpc.org

Mailing Address: 20 South Court Street, P.O. Box 262, Platteville 53818.
West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Region: Barron, Chippewa, Clark, Dunn, Eau Claire, Polk, and St. Croix Counties.

Members: Jess Miller (Barron), chairperson; Lee McIouham (Chippewa), vice chairperson; Richard Creaser (Dunn), secretary-treasurer; Ken Jost, Travis Turner (Barron); Mike Goettl, Florian Skwierczynski (Chippewa); Charles Rueth, Joe Waichulis, Jr., Norman Wesenberg (Clark); Steve Rasmussen, Robert Walter (Dunn); Kathleen Clark, John Frank, Gordon Steinhauser (Eau Claire); William Johnson IV, Craig Moriak, Warren Nelson (Polk); Agnes Ring, Travis Schachtner, Larry Weisenbeck (St. Croix).

Executive Director: Lynn Nelson.

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MADISON CULTURAL ARTS DISTRICT BOARD

Statutory Reference: Chapter 229, Subchapter V.

Agency Responsibility: Arts districts are public corporations that may acquire, construct, operate, and manage cultural arts facilities. A local district may issue revenue bonds, invest funds, set standards for the use of facilities, and establish and collect fees for usage. The Madison Cultural Arts District Board’s activities are suspended until requested otherwise.

PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL STADIUM DISTRICT

Board Members: Ann Patteson, chairperson; Ken Golomski, vice chairperson; Chuck Lamine, secretary; Margaret Jensen, treasurer; Ron Antonneau, Robert Cowles, Keith Zimmerman.

Statutory Reference: Chapter 229, Subchapter IV.

Agency Responsibility: The Professional Football Stadium District is an owner and landlord of Lambeau Field, the designated home of the Green Bay Packers football team. It is a public corporation that may acquire, construct, equip, maintain, improve, operate, and manage football stadium facilities or hire others to do the same. The district issued bonds for the redevelopment of Lambeau Field, which was substantially completed on July 31, 2003. All district debt was retired August 1, 2011. Maintenance and operation of the stadium is governed by provisions of the Lambeau Field Lease Agreement by and among the district, Green Bay Packers, Inc., and the City of Green Bay. The district currently imposes a 0.5% sales and use tax approved by Brown County voters in a referendum. Proceeds from the tax can be used for district administrative expenses, maintenance, and operating costs of stadium facilities and related purposes consistent with statutory limitations and lease provisions. In accordance with statutory provisions, the tax will be extinguished once sufficient funds are escrowed for maintenance and operation of the stadium and district administrative expenses. The district was created by 1999 Wisconsin Act 167.

SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL PARK DISTRICT

District Board Members: Don Smiley (Milwaukee County, appointed by governor), chairperson; Daniel McKeithan, Jr. (Milwaukee County, appointed by chief executive officer), vice chairperson; Mark Thomsen (City of Milwaukee representative appointed by mayor), secretary; Karen Makoutz (Ozaukee County, appointed by chief executive officer), treasurer; Jerry Gonzalez (Ozaukee County), Bill McReynolds (Racine County), Kristine O’Meara (Washington County), Tracey Klein (Waukesha County) (county members appointed by governor); Erik Johnson (at-large member, appointed by governor); Alec Fraser (Milwaukee County), Douglas Stansil (Racine County), Mark McCune (Washington County), Keith Swartz (Waukesha County) (members appointed by county’s chief executive officer).

Executive Director: Michael R. Duckett.

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Internet Address: www.millerparkdistrict.com

Statutory Reference: Chapter 229, Subchapter III.

Agency Responsibility: The Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District is majority owner of Miller Park, the home of the Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club. It is a public corporation that may acquire, construct, maintain, improve, operate, and manage baseball park facilities which include parking lots, garages, restaurants, parks, concession facilities, entertainment facilities, and other related structures. The district may impose a sales tax and a use tax at a rate not to exceed 0.1%.
The district is also authorized to issue bonds for certain purposes related to baseball park facilities. A city or county within the district’s jurisdiction may make loans or grants to the district, expend funds to subsidize the district, borrow money for baseball park facilities, or grant property to the state dedicated for use by a professional baseball park.

The district, which was created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 56, includes Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington, and Waukesha Counties. The district board consists of 13 members, 6 appointed by the governor, 6 appointed by the chief executive officers of each county in the district (2 from the most populous county), and one appointed by the mayor of Milwaukee. The governor appoints the chairperson. Members appointed by the governor must be confirmed by the senate. Members appointed by county executive officers or the mayor of Milwaukee must be confirmed by their respective county boards or the city council.

WISCONSIN CENTER DISTRICT

Board of Directors: Franklyn Gimbel (private sector representative appointed by Mayor of City of Milwaukee), chairperson; James Kaminski (private sector representative appointed by governor), vice chairperson; Michael Murphy (Milwaukee Common Council President); Martin Matson (City of Milwaukee comptroller); Senator Darling (senate cochairperson, Joint Committee on Finance), Representative Sanfelippo (designated by assembly cochairperson, Joint Committee on Finance); John Hogan (designated by secretary of administration); Joseph Bartolotta, Stephen H. Marcus (private sector representatives appointed by governor); Jason Allen, Jeff Sherman (private sector representatives appointed by Milwaukee County Executive); Kathy Ehley (mayor of city that contributes room taxes appointed by Milwaukee County Executive); Aldermen Hamilton, Puente (public sector representatives appointed by Milwaukee Common Council President); Joel Brennan (private sector representative appointed by Mayor of City of Milwaukee).

President and CEO: Russ Staerkel, (414) 908-6050, rstaerkel@wcd.org

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Telephone: (414) 908-6000.

Fax: (414) 908-6010.

Internet Address: www.wcd.org

Statutory Reference: Chapter 229, Subchapter II.

Agency Responsibility: The Wisconsin Center District (WCD) owns and operates the UW Milwaukee Panther Arena, the Milwaukee Theatre, and the Wisconsin Center. The district is not supported by property taxes or state subsidies. It is funded by operating revenue and special sales taxes on hotel rooms, restaurant food and beverages, and car rentals within its taxing boundaries (Milwaukee County). The WCD is classified by law as a local exposition district that may acquire, construct, and operate an exposition center and related facilities; enter into contracts and grant concessions; mortgage district property and issue bonds; and invest funds as the board considers appropriate. Local exposition districts are public corporations. Interest income on exposition district bonds is tax-exempt, and the district is exempt from state income and franchise taxes.

The board has 15 members, 13 of whom serve 3-year terms. Legislative members serve for terms concurrent with their term of office. Public officials can no longer serve after their term of office expires. Public sector representatives appointed by the Milwaukee Common Council President must be city residents. The 2 private sector representatives the Mayor of Milwaukee appoints must reside in the city. The private sector representatives the county executive appoints must live outside the City of Milwaukee. Of the 4 gubernatorial appointees, 2 must live in Milwaukee County but not in the City of Milwaukee. The governor’s appointees must include the secretary of the state Department of Administration (or designee), a member who has significant involvement with the lodging industry, and a member who has significant involvement with the food and beverage industry. Local exposition districts were authorized by 1993 Wisconsin Act 263.
INTERSTATE AGENCIES AND COMPACTS

Wisconsin is party to a variety of interstate compacts. These agreements are binding on two or more states, and they establish uniform guidelines or procedures for agencies within the signatory states. The following section lists agencies created by enactment of enabling legislation in all of the participating states or by interstate agreement of their respective governors. It also describes interstate compacts that are expressly ratified in the Wisconsin Statutes but do not require appointment of delegates.

EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES

Wisconsin Delegates: Governor Walker, chairperson; Tony Evers (superintendent of public instruction); Senator Olsen; vacancy (assembly representative); Tracie Haapel, Demond Means, John Reinemann (public members appointed by governor).

Mailing Address: National commission: Education Commission of the States, 700 Broadway, #810, Denver, Colorado 80203-3442.


Internet Address: www.ecs.org

Statutory References: Sections 39.75 and 39.76.

Agency Responsibility: The Education Commission of the States was established to foster national cooperation among executive, legislative, educational, and lay leaders of the various states. It offers a forum for discussing policy alternatives in the education field; provides an information clearinghouse about educational problems and their various solutions throughout the nation; and facilitates the improvement of state and local educational systems. The governor designates the chairperson of the 7-member delegation, and the Department of Administration provides staff services. Wisconsin’s participation in the commission originated in Chapter 641, Laws of 1965, which established an interstate compact for education and specified the composition of the Wisconsin delegation.

GREAT LAKES COMMISSION

Wisconsin Members: Russell Rasmussen (state officer member), chairperson; Lynn Dufrane, Dean Haen, Steve Galarneau (alternate) (all appointed by governor).

Mailing Address: Great Lakes Commission: Tim A. Eder, executive director, 2805 South Industrial Highway, Suite 100, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104.

Telephones: Wisconsin Delegation Chair: (608) 261-7599; Great Lakes Commission: (734) 971-9135.

Commission Fax: (734) 971-9150.

Internet Address: www.glc.org


Statutory Reference: Section 14.78.

Agency Responsibility: A 3-member delegation represents Wisconsin on the 8-state Great Lakes Commission. The interstate commission promotes orderly development of the water resources of the Great Lakes Basin; offers advice on balancing industrial, commercial, agricultural, water supply, and residential and recreational uses of the lakes’ water resources; and enables basin residents to benefit from public works, such as navigational aids.

Commissioners from the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin share information and coordinate state positions on issues of regional concern.
**Organization:** The governor appoints the 3 Wisconsin delegates to the Great Lakes Commission. The delegates are chosen on the basis of their knowledge of and interest in Great Lakes Basin problems. One commissioner, who must be a state officer or employee, is appointed to an indefinite term and serves as secretary of Wisconsin’s compact commission and as a member of the executive committee of the interstate commission. Wisconsin’s other commissioners serve 4-year terms.

**History:** The Great Lakes Commission was established in 1955 following enactment of enabling legislation by a majority of the Great Lakes states. It replaced the Deep Waterways Commission, established to promote the St. Lawrence Seaway project. With enactment of Chapter 275, Laws of 1955, Wisconsin ratified the Great Lakes Basin Compact and created the Wisconsin Great Lakes Compact Commission, consisting of the state members of the Great Lakes Commission. Congress recognized the Great Lakes Basin Compact in P.L. 90-419 on July 24, 1968.

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**GREAT LAKES PROTECTION FUND**

*Wisconsin Representatives:* Richard Meeusen, Kevin L. Shafer (appointed by governor with senate consent).

**Mailing Address and Telephone:** Russ Van Herik, executive director, 1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 880, Evanston, Illinois 60201, (847) 425-8150, Fax: (847) 424-9832.

**Internet Address:** www.glpf.org

**Statutory Reference:** Section 14.84.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Great Lakes Protection Fund was created by the Council of Great Lakes Governors to finance projects for the protection and cleanup of the Great Lakes. Priorities include the prevention of toxic pollution, the identification of effective clean-up approaches, the demonstration of natural resource stewardship, and the classification of health effects of toxic pollution.

In 1989, the governors of Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennslyvania, and Wisconsin signed the formal agreement creating the Great Lakes Protection Fund, and the Wisconsin Legislature approved the state’s participation in 1989 Wisconsin Act 31. The fund was incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation, managed by a board of directors composed of 2 representatives from each member state. Each state’s contribution to the original $100 million endowment was determined by estimating its proportion of Great Lakes water consumption. Wisconsin’s share was $12 million.

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**GREAT LAKES-ST. LAWRENCE RIVER BASIN WATER RESOURCES COUNCIL**

*Wisconsin Members:* Governor Walker (chair); Cathy Stepp (secretary of department of natural resources) (alternate).


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**E-mail Address:** cglg@cglg.org

**Internet Address:** www.glslcompactcouncil.org

**Statutory References:** Sections 14.95, 281.343.

**Agency Responsibility:** The governor serves as Wisconsin’s representative on the council. The council is charged with aiding and promoting the coordination of the activities and programs of the Great Lakes states concerned with water resources management in the Great Lakes.
basin. The council may promulgate and enforce rules and regulations as may be necessary for the implementation and enforcement of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact. The compact governs withdrawals, consumptive uses, conservation and efficient use, and diversions of basin water resources.

Under the compact, the governors from the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin, jointly pursue intergovernmental cooperation and consultation to protect, conserve, restore, improve, and effectively manage the waters and water dependent natural resources of the basin.

**Organization:** The governors of all participating states are *ex officio* members of the council. The governor may designate the secretary of natural resources as his alternate to attend and vote at all meetings. Any other alternate must be nominated by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The alternate serves at the pleasure of the governor. The governor may also appoint an advisor to attend all meetings of the council. If the governor does appoint an advisor, that person must have knowledge of and experience with Great Lakes water management issues.

**History:** The council was created by the ratification of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact. Wisconsin joined the compact with the passage and signing of 2007 Wisconsin Act 227. Congress ratified the compact in Public Law 110-342. The compact became effective as state and federal law on December 8, 2008.

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**GREAT LAKES-ST. LAWRENCE RIVER WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL BODY**

*Wisconsin Members:* **GOVERNOR WALKER (chair); CATHY STEPP** (secretary of department of natural resources), designee.


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**Fax:** (312) 407-0038.

**E-mail Address:** cglg@cglg.org

**Internet Address:** www.glslregionalbody.org

**Statutory Reference:** Section 281.343.

**Agency Responsibility:** The governor serves as Wisconsin’s representative on the regional body. The regional body is charged with aiding and promoting the coordination of the activities and programs of the Great Lakes states and provinces concerned with water resources management in the Great Lakes basin. The regional body may develop procedures for implementation of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Sustainable Water Resources Agreement. The agreement is a good-faith agreement between Great Lakes states and provinces that governs withdrawals, consumptive uses, conservation and efficient use, and diversions of basin water resources.

Governors from the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin, and the premiers of Ontario and Quebec jointly pursue intergovernmental cooperation and consultation to protect, conserve, restore, improve, and manage the waters and water dependent natural resources of the basin.

**Organization:** The governors and premiers of all participating states are *ex officio* members of the regional body. The governor may designate an alternate to attend and vote at all meetings. The designee serves at the pleasure of the governor.

**History:** The regional body was created by Great Lakes governors and premiers by signing the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Sustainable Water Resources Agreement on December 13, 2005.
INTERSTATE INSURANCE PRODUCT REGULATION COMMISSION

Wisconsin Member: Ted Nickel (commissioner of insurance).


Telephone: Commission: (202) 471-3962.

Commission Fax: (816) 460-7476.

Internet Address: www.insurancecompact.org

Statutory References: Sections 14.82 and 601.58.

Agency Responsibility: The Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission is made up of the member states of the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact. The compact’s purposes are to develop uniform standards for life, annuity, disability income, and long-term care insurance products, create a central clearinghouse to provide prompt review of insurance products, approve product filings, long-term care advertisements and disability income and long-term care rate filings that satisfy uniform standards, and improve coordination of regulatory resources and expertise between state insurance departments. The commission establishes reasonable uniform standards for insurance products covered under the compact. As of March 2015, 43 states and Puerto Rico were members of the compact.

Organization: Wisconsin is represented on the commission by the state’s commissioner of insurance or his or her designee. Each state member is entitled to one vote.

History: The commission reached its operational threshold in 2006. Wisconsin joined the commission with the signing of 2007 Wisconsin Act 168 in March 2008.

INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES

Wisconsin Member: Shelley Hagan, compact administrator, Office of Juvenile Offender Review, Division of Juvenile Corrections, Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

Mailing Address: 836 Euclid Avenue, Suite 322, Lexington, Kentucky 40502.

Telephone: (859) 721-1062.

E-mail Address: icjadmin@juvenilecompact.org

Internet Address: www.juvenilecompact.org

Statutory References: Sections 14.92 and 938.999.

Agency Responsibility: The Interstate Commission for Juveniles is designed to oversee, supervise, and coordinate the interstate movement of certain juveniles, delinquents, and run-away offenders. The commission has the authority to promulgate rules, which have the effect of statutory law, and enforce compliance with the Interstate Compact for Juveniles, including through judicial means. The commission is directed to resolve disputes between states regarding the compact, levy assessments against compacting states to cover its costs, and report annually on its activities. The commission is also directed to collect standardized data concerning the interstate movement of juveniles. The commission came into existence when 35 states ratified the Interstate Compact for Juveniles in August 2008.

Organization: The commission is composed of one commissioner from each of the compacting states. Each compacting state has one vote on the interstate commission. The commission meets at least once a year. The Council of State Governments provides organizational support to the commission.
INTERSTATE WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT ADMINISTRATORS BOARD

*Wisconsin Administrator:* Jennifer McDonough, jennifer.mcdonough@wisconsin.gov

**Mailing Address:** Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 7921, Madison 53707-7921.

**Telephone:** (608) 267-0859.

**Statutory Reference:** Section 29.03.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact establishes a process whereby wildlife law violations by a nonresident while in a member state may be handled as if the person were a resident in the state where the violation took place, meaning personal recognizance may be permitted instead of arrest, booking, and bonding. The process is aimed at increasing the efficiency of conservation wardens by allowing more time for enforcement duties rather than violator processing. The compact requires each member state to recognize the revocations and suspensions of individuals hunting, fishing, and trapping privileges from other member states that result from a wildlife related violation. The compact also requires each member state to revoke or suspend the hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses of any resident of that state who violates a wildlife related law in another member state and fails to resolve the matter by payment of the penalty or appearance in court. The board of compact administrators was established to serve as the governing body for the resolution of all matters relating to the operation of the compact.

**Organization:** The board is composed of one representative from each participating state. The Wisconsin representative is appointed by the secretary of natural resources. Each member of the board has one vote. As of August 2014, 43 states are members of the compact.

**History:** Wisconsin was authorized to develop administrative rules for Wisconsin’s role in the Wildlife Violator Compact and apply to become a member of the compact with the signing of 2005 Wisconsin Act 282 in April 2006. Once the administrative rules were adopted and in effect, Wisconsin applied to become a member of the Wildlife Violator Compact and was accepted effective April 15, 2008.

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LOWER ST. CROIX MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

*Wisconsin Member:* Dan Baumann (designated by secretary of natural resources).

**Telephone and Mailing Address:** Department of Natural Resources, West Central Region, 1300 West Clairemont Avenue, Eau Claire 54701, (715) 839-3700.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Lower St. Croix Management Commission was created to provide a forum for discussion of problems and programs associated with the Lower St. Croix National Scenic Riverway. It coordinates planning, development, protection, and management of the riverway for Wisconsin, Minnesota, and the U.S. government.

The commission was created by a cooperative agreement signed in 1973 by the National Park Service and the governors of Wisconsin and Minnesota. It consists of one member each from the National Park Service and the natural resources departments of the two states.

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MIDWEST INTERSTATE LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION

*Wisconsin Member:* Stanley York (appointed by governor with senate consent).

**Mailing Address:** Chair and Executive Director Stanley York, Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission, P.O. Box 2659, Madison 53701-2659.

**Telephones:** Wisconsin member: 230-3532; Commission: 267-4793.

**E-Mail Address:** Wisconsin member: stan.york@tds.net
Executive Branch

Commission Fax: 267-4799.
Internet Address: www.midwestcompact.org
Statutory References: Sections 14.81 and 16.11.

Agency Responsibility: The Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission is responsible for the disposal of low-level radioactive wastes. Based on the Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact, it may negotiate agreements for disposal of waste at facilities within or outside the region; appear as an intervenor before any court, board, or commission in any matter related to waste management; and review the emergency closure of a regional facility. The commission is directed to settle disputes between party states regarding the compact and adopt a regional management plan designating host states for the establishment of needed regional facilities.

Wisconsin’s commission member must promote Wisconsin’s interest in an equitable distribution of responsibilities among compact member states, encourage public access and participation in the commission’s proceedings, and notify the governor and legislature if the commission proposes to designate a disposal facility site in this state.

Organization: The commission represents Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin, each of which has one voting member.


Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission

Wisconsin Representatives: Mark Gottlieb (designated by governor); Representative E. Brooks (appointed by assembly speaker); Senator Miller (appointed by senate president); vacancy (private sector representative).

Mailing Address: Commission: Laura Kliwer, director, 701 East 22nd Street, Suite 110, Lombard, Illinois 60148.
Telephone: Commission: (630) 925-1922.
Commission Fax: (630) 925-1930.
Internet Address: www.miprc.org
Statutory References: Sections 14.86 and 85.067.

Agency Responsibility: The Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission brings together state leaders from the members of the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact to advocate for the funding and authorization necessary to make passenger rail improvements. It also seeks to develop a long-term interstate plan for high-speed passenger rail service implementation. The current members are Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin. The commission is empowered to work with local and federal officials, to educate the public on the advantages of passenger rail, and to make recommendations to member states.

Organization: Wisconsin is represented by 4 members on the commission. Those members must be the governor or his or her designee; one assembly member appointed by the assembly speaker for a 2-year term; one senate member appointed by the senate president for a 2-year term; and one member representing the private sector, who serves for the governor’s term of office. The members serve without compensation.

### MIDWESTERN HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

**Wisconsin Members:** Don Madelung (designated by governor); Senator Harsdorf (appointed by senate president); vacancy (appointed by assembly speaker); Margaret Farrow, Rolf Wegenke; Morna Foy, David L. Miller (alternates) (appointed by governor).

**Mailing Address:** 105 Fifth Avenue South, Suite 450, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401.

**Telephone:** (612) 677-2777; (855) 767-6432 (toll free).

**Internet Address:** www.mhec.org

**Statutory References:** Sections 14.90 and 39.80.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Midwestern Higher Education Commission was organized to further higher educational opportunities for residents of states participating in the Midwest Higher Education Compact. The commission may enter into agreements with member and non-member states, or their universities and colleges, to provide programs and services for students, including student exchanges and improved access. The commission also studies the effects of the compact on higher education and the needs and resources for programs in member states. The compact’s three core functions are cost-savings initiatives, student access, and policy research and analysis.

**Organization:** The compact currently includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Each state appoints 5 members to the governing commission, including the governor (or governor’s designee) and 2 legislators, who serve 2-year terms. The 2 members appointed by the governor must be selected from the field of higher education. One serves a 4-year term and one serves a 2-year term. Any member state may withdraw from the compact 2 years after the passage of a law authorizing withdrawal.

**History:** Wisconsin ratified the Midwestern Higher Education Compact in 1993 Wisconsin Act 358, effective July 1, 1994.

### MILITARY INTERSTATE CHILDREN’S COMPACT COMMISSION

**State Council:** Tony Evers (state superintendent of public instruction); John Hendricks (superintendent of school district with high concentration of children of military families, appointed by state superintendent); Lt. Col. John Blaha (representative from a military installation, appointed by state superintendent); vacancy (appointed by assembly speaker); Senator Roth (appointed by senate majority leader). Nonvoting members: Shelley Joan Weiss (appointed by state superintendent), compact commissioner; Becky Walley (military family education liaison, appointed by state superintendent).

**Contact:** Shelley Joan Weiss.

**Mailing Address:** 3014 Happy Valley Road, Sun Prairie 53590.

**Telephone:** (608) 698-2409.

**Statutory References:** Sections 14.91 and 115.997.

**Agency Responsibility:** The Military Interstate Children’s Compact Commission oversees implementation of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. The compact was enacted to facilitate the education of children of military families, and remove barriers to educational success imposed by frequent moves and the deployment of parents. The commission has the authority to promulgate rules, and enforce compliance with the compact, including through judicial means. The commission may provide for the resolution of disputes between states regarding the compact and issue advisory opinions concerning the meaning of the compact. As of May 2015, all 50 states and the District of Columbia have adopted the compact.

**Organization:** The commission is composed of one commissioner from each of the compacting states. Each compacting state has one vote on the interstate commission. The commission meets at least once per year. The Council of State Governments provides organizational support to the commission.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER PARKWAY COMMISSION

Wisconsin Commissioners: Sherry Quamme (Crawford County), chairperson; Senators Harsdorf, vacancy; Representatives Nerison, vacancy; Robert Miller (Buffalo County); Joachim Kostau (Grant County); Alan Lorenz (La Crosse County); Dennis Donath (Pierce County); David Smith (Pepin County); Jean Galasinski (Trempealeau County); Maynard Cox (Vernon County). (Legislators are nominated by presiding officer and appointed by governor. County representatives are appointed by governor.) Nonvoting members: Cathy Stepp (secretary of natural resources), Mark Gottlieb (secretary of transportation), Ellsworth Brown (director, state historical society), Stephanie Klett (secretary of tourism).

Mailing Address: National Office, 701 East Washington Avenue, #202, Madison 53703.

Telephone: (866) 763-8310.


Agency Responsibility: The Mississippi River Parkway Commission coordinates development and preservation of Wisconsin’s portion of the Great River Road corridor along the Mississippi River. It assists and advises state and local agencies about maintaining and enhancing the scenic, historic, economic, and recreational assets within the corridor and cooperates with similar commissions in other Mississippi River states and the Province of Ontario. On June 15, 2000, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation designated the entire 250-mile length of the Wisconsin Great River Road as a National Scenic Byway, thereby recognizing it as an outstanding example of America’s scenic beauty. It is Wisconsin’s only National Scenic Byway.

Organization: The 16-member Wisconsin commission includes 12 voting members, appointed to 4-year terms, and 4 nonvoting ex officio members. The 4 legislative members represent the two major political parties in each house.

The commission selects its own chairperson who is Wisconsin’s sole voting representative at national meetings of the Mississippi River Parkway Commission.

History: The Wisconsin commission is part of the Mississippi River Parkway Commission, which was given statutory recognition by Chapter 482, Laws of 1961. It dates back to 1939 when Wisconsin Governor Julius P. Heil appointed a 10-member committee to cooperate with agencies from other Mississippi River states in planning the Great River Road. This scenic route extends from the Gulf of Mexico to the Mississippi River’s headwaters at Lake Itasca, Minnesota. North of Lake Itasca, the route connects with the Trans-Canada Highway and terminates at Minaki, Ontario.

The Federal Highway Aid Acts of 1973, 1976, and 1978 provided Wisconsin approximately $21 million in Great River Road funding. While categorical funding is no longer available, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation has continued improvements to Wisconsin’s portion of the Great River Road, including pedestrian and bicycle trails, landscaping, preservation of historic sites, and other programs. Wisconsin also received more than $7 million in discretionary grants from the National Scenic Byways Program from 2000 through 2008. These grants were matched with 20% state and local government funds.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN ASSOCIATION

Wisconsin Representative: Dan Baumann, James Fischer (alternate) (appointed by governor).


Telephones: Wisconsin: (715) 839-3722; Minnesota: (651) 224-2880.

Internet Address: www.umrba.org
Agency Responsibility: The Upper Mississippi River Basin Association is a nonprofit organization created by Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin to facilitate cooperative action regarding the basin’s water and related land resources. It sponsors studies of river-related issues, cooperative planning for use of the region’s resources, and an information exchange. It also enables the member states to develop regional positions on resource issues and to advocate the basin states’ collective interests before the U.S. Congress and federal agencies. The association has placed major emphasis on its Environmental Management Program, a partnership among the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the five states. This program, which was approved by the federal Water Resources Development Act of 1986, authorized habitat rehabilitation projects, resource inventory and analysis, recreation projects, and river traffic monitoring.

Organization: The association consists of one representative from each member state. The members annually elect one of their number to serve as chairperson. Five federal agencies with major water resources responsibilities serve as advisory members: the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Departments of Agriculture, Army, Interior, and Transportation.

History: The Upper Mississippi River Basin Association was formed on December 2, 1981, when the articles of association were signed by representatives of the member states. In late 1983 and early 1984, executive orders were issued by four of the five governors reaffirming membership in the association.
INTERSTATE COMPACTS

Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance
The compact authorizes the Department of Children and Families, on behalf of this state, to enter into interstate agreements, including the interstate compact on adoption and medical assistance, with other states that enter into adoption assistance agreements. In these agreements, other states must provide Medical Assistance (MA) benefits, under its own laws, to children who were adopted as residents of Wisconsin, and Wisconsin must provide the same benefits to children who were adopted as residents of other states. Any interstate agreement is revocable upon written notice to the other state but remains in effect for one year after the date of the notice. Benefits already granted continue even if the agreement is revoked. The compact has been adopted by 49 states and the District of Columbia. (1985 Wisconsin Act 308)

Statutory Reference: Section 48.9985.
Administrator: Department of Children and Families.

Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision
The compact creates cooperative procedures for individuals placed on parole, probation, or extended supervision in one state to be supervised in another state if certain conditions are met. The compact has been adopted by all 50 states, the District of Columbia, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. (2001 Wisconsin Act 96)

Statutory Reference: Section 304.16.
Administrator: Department of Corrections (appointed by governor).

Corrections Compact
The compact allows Wisconsin to enter into contracts with states that are party to the compact to confine Wisconsin’s inmates in the other state’s correctional facilities or receive inmates from other states. The contract provides for inmate upkeep and special services. The compact has been adopted by 39 states and the District of Columbia. (Chapter 20, Laws of 1981)

Administrator: Department of Corrections.

Agreement on Detainers
The agreement is designed to clear up indictments or complaints that serve as a basis for a detainer lodged against a prisoner incarcerated in one jurisdiction and wanted in another. The agreement allows the state making the request to obtain temporary custody of the prisoner to conduct a trial on outstanding charges. The agreement has been adopted by 48 states and the District of Columbia. (Chapter 255, Laws of 1969)

Statutory Reference: Sections 976.05 and 976.06.

Emergency Management Assistance Compact
The compact authorizes states that are members to provide mutual assistance to other member states in an emergency or disaster declared by the governor of the affected state. Under the compact, member states cooperate in emergency-related training and formulate plans for interstate cooperation in responding to a disaster. All 50 states belong to the compact. (1999 Wisconsin Act 26)

Statutory Reference: Section 323.80.
Administrator: Division of Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs.
Interstate Compact on Mental Health
The compact facilitates the proper and expeditious treatment of persons with mental illness or mental retardation by the cooperative action of the party states, to the benefit of the person, their families, and society. The compact (and enacting laws) provides for this to be done irrespective of the legal residence and citizenship status of the person. The compact has been adopted in 45 states and the District of Columbia. (Chapter 611, Laws of 1965)

Statutory Reference: Sections 51.75-51.80.
Administrator: Department of Health Services.

Nurse Licensure Compact
The compact allows a nurse licensed by a party state to practice nursing in any other party state without obtaining a license. It requires each party state to participate in a database of all licensed nurses. The compact has been adopted by 24 states. (1999 Wisconsin Act 22)

Statutory Reference: Section 441.50.
Administrator: Department of Safety and Professional Services.

Interstate Compact on Placement of Children
The compact provides a legal framework to administer the compact law among the party states to ensure protection and services when a child is placed across state lines when under the jurisdiction of that state and the most suitable placement is in a different state. It requires notice and proof of appropriateness and safety before a placement is made; allocates legal and administrative responsibilities by the sending state for the duration of placement; provides a basis for enforcement of rights; and authorizes joint actions to improve operations and services. All states have adopted the compact. (Chapter 354, Laws of 1977)

Administrator: Department of Children and Families.

Interstate Agreement on Qualification of Educational Personnel
The agreement authorizes the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to enter into contracts with party states to accept their educational personnel. These agreements allow Wisconsin to offer initial licenses to teachers from contracting states and allows other states to accept Wisconsin-trained teachers on the same basis. The agreement has been adopted by 35 states and the District of Columbia. (Chapter 42, Laws of 1969)

Administrator: State Superintendent of Public Instruction.