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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Minutes of the Meeting Under s. 13.10

December 14, 2006

Co-chair Fitzgerald presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Senators Fitzgerald, Darling, Cowles, Leibham, Olsen, Decker, Taylor  
Representatives Kaufert, Stone, Rhoades, Gottlieb, D. Meyer, Colón, Pocan  
Absent: Senator Lazich

I. Department Natural Resources

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to transfer \$111,000 SEG in 2006-07 within the snowmobile gas tax appropriation [s. 20.370(5)(cs)] from basic to supplemental snowmobile trail aids.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

II. Department of Natural Resources

No action. [Request for increased snowmobile SEG enforcement funding.]

III. Department of Natural Resources

Moved by Representative Kaufert and seconded by Senator Fitzgerald to approve 1.0 PR position and \$12,000 in 2006-07 for the estimated salary and supplies for an educator at the Mead Wildlife Center. Further, direct the Department to utilize federal monies (if allowable) rather than conservation fund SEG to support the state cost of the educator position.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

*Secretary's note: The position and funding is provided in the appropriation under s. 20.370(1)(mi).*

IV. Department of Regulation and Licensing

Co-chair Fitzgerald made a unanimous consent request to transfer on a one-time basis \$250,000 PR in 2006-07 from the Committee's PR appropriation [s. 20.865(4)(g) of the statutes] to the Department's s. 20.165(1)(g) appropriation for completion of the data integration projects funded in 2005 Wisconsin Act 25. Without objection, it was so ordered.

V. Office of the State Public Defender

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to transfer \$3,000,000 GPR in 2006-07 to the SPD's private bar appropriation [s. 20.550(1)(d)] to fund private bar costs through February 5, 2007, from: (a) tuition payments [s. 20.255(2)(cg), \$1,000,000]; and (b) pupil transportation [s. 20.255(2)(cr), \$2,000,000]

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

VI. Ethics Board

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to provide \$30,000 from the Committee's GPR supplemental appropriation [s. 20.865(4)(a)] to the Ethics Board's GPR general program operations appropriation [s. 20.521(1)(a)], to permit the Board to retain an information technology vendor to enhance the functionality of the Board's procurement activity website.

Ayes 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

VII. Department of Health and Family Services

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to allocate \$229,100 GPR that is available [Birth-to-Three Program appropriation under s. 20.435(7)(bt)] from under spending in calendar year 2005 to support calendar year 2007 contracts. No funding lapses to the general fund on January 1, 2007.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

VIII. Department of Health and Family Services

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to approve DOA's proposal to offset federal reductions in CY 2006 and CY 2007 community aids contracts (\$349,400).

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to approve DOA's proposal to allocate \$635,200 to support OBVI in the 2007-09 biennium (\$273,600 in 2007-08 and \$361,600 in 2008-09).

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to approve DOA's proposal to allocate \$889,900 in income augmentation revenues, which would be matched with an equal amount of federal MA (administration) matching funds, for DHFS to provide a one-time increase to local agencies' income maintenance contracts.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to delete funding in the plan requested for DHFS to begin the modernization and automation of the state's vital records system as mandated by the Intelligence Reform Act and the Real ID Act.

Ayes, 10; Noes, 4 [Darling, Olsen, Decker, Taylor]; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to approve DOA's proposal to provide \$2,400,000 [one time] to support aging and disability centers (\$2,000,000) and start-up costs for county consortia to develop CMOs (\$400,000).

Ayes, 13; Noes, 1 [Cowles]; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to require DHFS to provide all funding that would be allocated for the Alzheimer's disease diagnosis and treatment project (\$300,000) to the United Community Center.

Ayes, 12; Noes, 2 [Cowles, Gottlieb]; Absent, [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to approve DOA's proposal to provide \$2,264,400 to purchase anti-viral drugs.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Darling and seconded by Senator Taylor to provide \$100,000 in unallocated income augmentation funds on a one-time basis to support operations of the Cathedral Center in calendar year 2007.

Ayes, 12; Noes, 2 [Cowles, Gottlieb]; Absent, 1 [Lazich]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to modify the plan with respect to dental access by: (a) reducing by \$169,000 the funding that would be provided to the Madre Angela Dental Clinic; (b) specifying that, of the funding that would be provided for one-time dental access grants, \$1,000,000 would be provided to the Marquette University School of Dentistry; (c) specifying that, of the funding that would be available for competitive grants, \$75,000 would be allocated for the Lakeshore Technical College, \$75,000 would be allocated for dental services for low-income, uninsured and under-insured individuals in Oneida and Vilas Counties, \$75,000 would be allocated for the Tri-County Clinic in Outagamie County, and \$75,000 would be allocated for the Rural Health Dental Clinic in the Town of Red Cedar; and (d) requiring that, in awarding the one-time dental access grants, including the earmarked grants, DHFS specify that all grants, including the earmarked grants, would be one-time grants and that

all grant recipients, including those that receive earmarked grants, demonstrate their ability to sustain the program once the grant funding is expended.

Ayes, 12; Noes 1 [Gottlieb]; Absent, 2 [Lazich, Pocan]

Moved by Senator Taylor and seconded by Representative Colón to amend the immediately preceding motion to specify that, of the funding that would be provided to the Marquette University School of Dentistry, \$500,000 would be allocated to support dental services at the New Isaac Coggs Heritage Health Center.

Ayes, 3; Noes, 9 [Fitzgerald, Darling, Cowles, Leibham, Kaufert, Stone, Rhoades, Meyer, Gottlieb]; Absent, 2 [Decker, Lazich]

Moved by Senator Taylor and seconded by Representative Kaufert to specify that, of the funding provided for one-time dental access grants, \$500,000 is allocated to support one-time costs relating to the provision of dental services by Milwaukee Health Services, Inc., at the New Isaac Coggs Heritage Health Center.

Ayes, 1; Noes, 11 [Fitzgerald, Darling, Cowles, Leibham, Olsen, Kaufert, Stone, Rhoades, Meyer, Gottlieb, Colón]; Absent, 2 [Lazich, Pocan]

Moved by Senator Fitzgerald and seconded by Representative Kaufert to specify that any unallocated income augmentation revenue be deposited to the segregated MA trust fund.

Ayes, 12; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 [Lazich, Pocan]

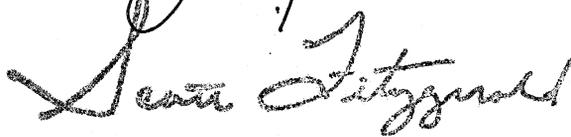
Reports

Co-Chair Fitzgerald made a unanimous consent request to receive the DOA reports under s. 16.50 on federally-funded positions approved during the April 1 to June 30 and the July 1 to September 30, 2006 periods. Without objection it was so ordered.



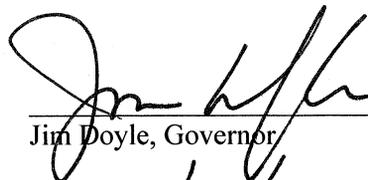
Dan Caucutt, Secretary

Date: January 3, 2007



Scott Fitzgerald, Co-Chair

Date: 1-3-07



Jim Doyle, Governor

Date: 1/5/07

**SUMMARY**  
**JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**  
**GPR APPROPRIATION STATUS**  
**(As of January 8, 2007)**

	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-07</u> <u>Biennium</u>	<u>Releases</u> <u>to Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u> <u>Reserve</u>
<b>Current Biennial Appropriation Amount [s. 20.865(4)(a)]</b>	<b>\$58,239,400</b>	<b>\$60,026,800</b>	<b>\$118,266,200</b>		
<u>Reserved For:</u>					
Circuit Courts -- Court Interpreters	\$89,400	\$0	\$89,400	\$0	\$89,400
DWD -- Open Housing Law Representation	0	85,000	85,000	0	85,000
Elections Board -- Database Conversion Funding	0	450,000	450,000	50,000	400,000
Corrections -- Salary and Fringe Funding for Health Care Positions	0	12,766,000	12,766,000	1,969,900	10,796,100
Corrections -- Funding for Variable Inmate Health Care Costs	0	8,375,700	8,375,700	0	8,375,700
Corrections -- Funding for Correctional Pharmacy Rental Costs	0	200,100	200,100	0	200,100
Agency ATB 2.3% Reduction	58,000,000	38,000,000	96,000,000 *	96,000,000	0 *
<b>Reserved Balance</b>	<b>\$58,089,400</b>	<b>\$59,876,800</b>	<b>\$117,966,200 *</b>	<b>\$98,019,900</b>	<b>\$19,946,300 *</b>
<u>Releases from Reserved Balance</u>					
Agency ATB 2.3% Reduction	\$58,000,000	\$38,000,000	\$96,000,000		
Corrections -- Salary and Fringe Funding for Health Care Positions [6-21-06]	0	1,969,900	1,969,900		
Elections Board -- Database Conversion Funding [6-21-06]	0	50,000	50,000		
<b>Total Releases</b>	<b>\$58,000,000</b>	<b>\$40,019,900</b>	<b>\$98,019,900</b>		
<b>Remaining Reserved Balance</b>	<b>\$89,400</b>	<b>\$19,856,900</b>	<b>\$19,946,300 *</b>		
<b>Net Unreserved Balance Available</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>		
<u>Releases from Unreserved Balance</u>					
Ethics Board -- IT Vendor Funding [12-14-06]	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000		
<b>Total Releases</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>		
<b>Net Unreserved Balance Remaining</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	<b>\$270,000</b>		
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$239,400</b>	<b>\$19,976,900</b>	<b>\$20,216,300 *</b>		

\*The administration has indicated that, pursuant to Act 25, the \$96.0 million of across-the-board reductions will be transferred to state agency appropriations.

**SUMMARY**  
**JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**  
**PR APPROPRIATION STATUS**  
**(As of January 8, 2007)**

	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-07</u> <u>Biennium</u>	<u>Releases</u> <u>to Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u> <u>Reserve</u>
<b>Current Biennial Appropriation Amount [s. 20.865(4)(g)]</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$815,300</b>	<b>\$815,300</b>		
<u>Reserved For:</u>					
R&L -- Database Integration	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0
State Treasurer -- Unclaimed property Program	0	565,300	565,300	0	565,300
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Reserved Balance	\$0	\$815,300	\$815,300	\$250,000	\$565,300
<u>Releases from Reserved Balance</u>					
R&L -- Database Integration [12-14-06]	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000		
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Total Releases	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000		
<b>Remaining Reserved Balance</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$565,300</b>	<b>\$565,300</b>		

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 JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
 FED APPROPRIATION STATUS  
 (As of January 8, 2007)

	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-07 Biennium</u>	<u>Releases to Date</u>	<u>Remaining Reserve</u>
Current Biennial Appropriation Amount [s. 20.865(4)(m)]	\$408,300	\$0	\$408,300	\$0	\$408,300
<u>Reserved For:</u>					
---	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Reserved Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Releases from Reserved Balance</u>					
---	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total Releases	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Remaining Reserved Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0		

SUMMARY  
 JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
 SEG APPROPRIATION STATUS  
 (As of January 8, 2007)

	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-07</u> <u>Biennium</u>	<u>Releases</u> <u>to Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u> <u>Reserve</u>
Current Biennial Appropriation Amount [s. 20.865(4)(u)]	\$0	\$0	\$0		
<u>Reserved For:</u> ---	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Reserved Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Releases from Reserved Balance</u> ---	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total Releases	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Remaining Reserved Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0		

**SUMMARY**

**DETAIL OF JOINT FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROPRIATED LEVELS  
(As of January 8, 2007)**

	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-07</u> <u>Biennium</u>
<b>20.865(4)(a) Appropriation Total Summary - GPR</b>			
Act 25 (biennial budget)	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$300,000
Reserve for Circuit Courts -- Court Interpreters	89,400	0	89,400
Reserve for DWD -- Open Housing Law	0	85,000	85,000
Reserve for Elections Board -- Database Conversion	0	450,000	450,000
Reserve for DOC -- Healthcare Funding	0	12,766,000	12,766,000
Reserve for DOC -- Inmate Variable Healthcare Funding	0	8,375,700	8,375,700
Reserve for DOC -- Pharmacy Rent Funding	0	200,100	200,100
Reserve for ATB 2.3% Reduction	58,000,000	38,000,000	96,000,000 *
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Current Total	<b>\$58,239,400</b>	<b>\$60,026,800</b>	<b>\$118,266,200 *</b>
 <b>20.865(4)(g) Appropriation Total Summary - PR</b>			
Act 25 (Biennial Budget)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Reserve for State Treasurer -- Unclaimed Property Program	0	565,300	565,300
Reserve for R&L -- Database Integration	0	250,000	250,000
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Current Total	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$815,300</b>	<b>\$815,300</b>
 <b>20.865(4)(m) Appropriation Total Summary - FED</b>			
Act 25 (Biennial Budget)	\$408,300	\$0	\$408,300
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Current Total	<b>\$408,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$408,300</b>
 <b>20.865(4)(u) Appropriation Total Summary - SEG</b>			
Act 25 (Biennial Budget)	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Current Total	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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