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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Minutes of the Meeting Under s. 13.10

August 16, 2007

Co-chair Rhoades presided and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Senators Decker, Hansen, Taylor, Jauch, Miller, Lehman, Grothman, Olsen Representatives Rhoades, D. Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan, Colón

[Secretary's Note: Senator Grothman replaced Senator Darling for the meeting.]

I. Higher Educational Aid Board

Moved by Representative Rhoades and seconded by Senator Decker to approve the proposed changes to the Minnesota-Wisconsin Public Higher Education Reciprocity Agreement, which would first take effect in 2008-09, and the annual administrative memorandum that applies to 2007-08.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 1 [Grothman]

II. Department of Health and Family Services and Office of the Commissioner of Insurance

Moved by Representative Rhoades and seconded by Representative Meyer to require the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) to allocate \$600,000 GPR on a one-time basis in 2007-08 to support the elderly benefit specialist program from the appropriation DHFS currently uses to support the general program operations of DHFS general administration.

Aves, 8; Noes, 8 [Decker, Hansen, Taylor, Jauch, Miller, Lehman, Pocan, Colón]

Moved by Senator Decker and seconded by Senator Hansen to increase the general program operations appropriation for the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI) under s.20.145(1)(g) by \$600,000 PR on a one-time basis so that OCI could transfer this funding to the Department of Health and Family Services interagency and intra-agency local assistance appropriation under s. 20.435(7)(kz) to support the elderly benefit specialist program in 2007-08.

Ayes, 13; Noes, 3 [Grothman, Stone, Vos]

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Reports

Three DOA reports on the number of federally-funded positions approved during the fiscal quarters ending December 31, 2006; March 31, 2007; and June 30, 2007 were submitted to the Committee as required under s. 16.50, Wisconsin Statutes.

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Jim Doyle, Governor,

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