

STATE OF WISCONSIN
Senate Journal

One-Hundred and Fourth Regular Session

THURSDAY, January 30, 2020

The Chief Clerk made the following entries under the above date.

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 523** offered by Senator Petrowski.

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 709** offered by Senator Jacque.

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 716** offered by Senator Cowles.

Senate Amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 718** offered by Senator Cowles.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

The Chief Clerk records:

Senate Bill 230

Presented to the Governor on 1-30-2020.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Senate Bill 764

Relating to: modifying an administrative rule of the Department of Safety and Professional Services regarding renewal of a registered electrician enrollment for a youth apprentice.

By Senators Feyen and Jacque; cosponsored by Representatives Schraa and Petryk.

To the committee on **Local Government, Small Business, Tourism and Workforce Development**.

Senate Bill 765

Relating to: criteria for the court to consider when determining whether to use videoconferencing at a proceeding.

By Senators Darling, Jacque and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Knodl, Sanfelippo, Dittrich, Duchow, Edming, Gundrum, James, Katsma, Kuglitsch, Skowronski and Wichgers.

To the committee on **Judiciary and Public Safety**.

Senate Bill 766

Relating to: using testimony taken by deposition in a criminal trial if witness is at risk of being intimidated.

By Senators Darling, Jacque and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Knodl, Sanfelippo, Dittrich, Duchow, Edming, Gundrum, James, Kuglitsch, Skowronski and Wichgers.

To the committee on **Judiciary and Public Safety**.

Senate Bill 767

Relating to: intimidating a victim of domestic abuse and providing a penalty.

By Senators Darling, Jacque and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Knodl, Sanfelippo, Allen, Dittrich, Duchow, Edming, Gundrum, James, Kuglitsch, Skowronski and Wichgers.

To the committee on **Judiciary and Public Safety**.

Senate Bill 768

Relating to: exempting motorcycles from emission inspections.

By Senator LeMahieu; cosponsored by Representative Magnafici.

To the committee on **Transportation, Veterans and Military Affairs**.

Senate Bill 769

Relating to: theft of a vehicle; victim impact panels; increased penalties for reckless driving; increased penalties for fleeing an officer; and providing a penalty.

By Senators Kapenga, Kooyenga, Fitzgerald, Craig, Darling, Feyen, Nass, Stroebel and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Hutton, Sanfelippo, Knodl, Edming, Gundrum, James, Kuglitsch, Neylon, Ramthun, Rodriguez, Skowronski, Tittl, Wichgers and Dittrich.

To the committee on **Judiciary and Public Safety**.

Senate Bill 770

Relating to: requirements for design-build transportation projects, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority.

By Senators Petrowski and Fitzgerald; cosponsored by Representatives Nygren and Vos.

To the committee on **Transportation, Veterans and Military Affairs**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Agriculture, Revenue and Financial Institutions** reported and recommended:

CRANEY, TERRANCE L., of Madison, as a Public Member on the Deferred Compensation Board, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2023.

Confirmation.

Ayes: 9 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Jacque, Bernier, Smith, Ringhand, Risser and Larson.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 317

Relating to: online notaries public and electronic notarizations, granting rule-making authority, and providing a penalty.

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 9 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Jacque, Bernier, Smith, Ringhand, Risser and Larson.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 9 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Jacque, Bernier, Smith, Ringhand, Risser and Larson.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 487

Relating to: an exception from local levy limits for certain amounts levied for charges assessed by a joint emergency medical services department.

Senate Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 9 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Jacque, Bernier, Smith, Ringhand, Risser and Larson.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 9 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Jacque, Bernier, Smith, Ringhand, Risser and Larson.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 505

Relating to: farmer tuition assistance grants and making an appropriation.

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Bernier and Ringhand.

Noes: 3 - Senators Smith, Risser and Larson.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 9 - Senators Marklein, Petrowski, Testin, Jacque, Bernier, Smith, Ringhand, Risser and Larson.

Noes: 0 - None.

HOWARD MARKLEIN

Chairperson

The committee on **Judiciary and Public Safety** reported and recommended:

Senate Bill 211

Relating to: self-defense for victims of sex trafficking.

Senate Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 363

Relating to: falsely reporting an emergency and providing a penalty.

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 4 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling and L. Taylor.

Noes: 1 - Senator Risser.

Senate Bill 427

Relating to: increased penalties for crimes against elder persons; restraining orders for elder persons; freezing assets of a defendant charged with financial exploitation of an elder person; sexual assault of an elder person; physical abuse of an elder person; and providing a penalty.

Senate Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Amendment 2 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Amendment 3 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 551

Relating to: a statewide urban search and rescue task force and making an appropriation.

Senate Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 565

Relating to: transport for emergency detention.

Senate Amendment 1 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Senate Bill 592

Relating to: providing medication and a valid prescription to a prisoner upon release.

Senate Substitute Amendment 2 adoption.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

Passage as amended.

Ayes: 5 - Senators Wanggaard, Jacque, Darling, Risser and L. Taylor.

Noes: 0 - None.

VAN WANGGAARD
Chairperson

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Kooyenga added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 311**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Hutton added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 311**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Gruszynski added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 376**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Hansen added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 493**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Edmin g added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 587**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Allen added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 654**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 708**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 711**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Sinicki withdrawn as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 711**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 717**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 719**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 735**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 739**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 740**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 742**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Craig added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 747**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Sortwell withdrawn as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 752**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Wichgers added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 759**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Senator Craig added as a coauthor of **Senate Bill 763**.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 17 (5), Representative Sinicki added as a cosponsor of **Senate Bill 763**.

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor**

EXECUTIVE ORDER #67

Relating to the Creation of the Governor's Task Force on Student Debt

WHEREAS, nationally 45 million students owe approximately \$1.6 trillion in student loan debt;

WHEREAS, student debt disproportionately affects students of color, low-income students, first-generation college students, women, veterans, and seniors;

WHEREAS, the average amount of student loan debt held by former students increased by nearly 85 percent between 2006 and 2018;

WHEREAS, according to a study by The Institute for College Access & Success for the class of 2018, 64 percent of students in Wisconsin graduated with student loan debt and averaged \$31, 705 in student loan debt;

WHEREAS, one in five students in the United States are behind on their student loan payments;

WHEREAS, increasing tuition costs for students contributes not only to growing student loan debt, but personal debt more broadly as students rely on credit cards or other means to pay for tuition, housing, and other necessities while in school;

WHEREAS, 36 percent of college students in the United States say they have more than \$1,000 in credit card debt, and in 2019, credit card delinquency hit an eight-year high with more than eight percent of balances held by people ages 18 to 29 hitting serious delinquency after going more than 90 days overdue without payment;

WHEREAS, the consequences of student debt are not isolated to students as more families are taking on more debt to help their kids pay for school;

WHEREAS, in 2019, Parent PLUS Loan debt averaged \$25,600 with more than three million parents owing approximately \$88.9 billion in Parent PLUS Loans; and

WHEREAS, the financial burden of student debt has broad, adverse consequences for our state and our country's economies, including weakened spending and wealth accumulation, decreased home ownership, further entrenched income disparities, stifled entrepreneurship, and limitations on the ability of individuals to retire securely, among other negative effects.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TONY EVERS, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State, including Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby create the Governor's Task Force on Student Debt ("Task Force"), and order the following:

1. The Task Force shall be chaired by the Secretary of the Department of Financial Institutions or a designee. The Task Force membership shall be appointed by the Governor to serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Task Force membership shall consist of:
 - a. The Governor or a designee;
 - b. The Executive Director of the State of Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board or a designee;
 - c. The Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection or a designee;
 - d. The State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction or a designee;
 - e. The Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs or a designee;
 - f. The President of the University of Wisconsin System or a designee;
 - g. The President of the Wisconsin Technical College System or a designee;
 - h. The President of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities or a designee;
 - i. Two members of the Wisconsin State Assembly, one representing each caucus;
 - j. Two members of the Wisconsin State Senate, one representing each caucus;
 - k. One representative from a Wisconsin Tribal Nation; and
 - l. Other individuals appointed by the Governor in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Financial Institutions to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, who may include individuals representing the business community, the academic community, the financial services industry, student loans borrowers, and parents of student loan borrowers.

2. The Task Force shall do the following:
 - a. Assess the causes of student debt and the challenges student debt creates for Wisconsinites, their families, and our state economy.
 - b. Evaluate the effectiveness of current policies relating to student debt.
 - c. Research best practices from industry, academia, and other states on reducing the burden of student debt.
 - d. Provide recommendations regarding:
 - i. How the state can best address the student debt crisis for Wisconsinites and their families;
 - ii. Improving the State's financial literacy education and academic and career planning offering and requirements that could help reduce the amount of debt taken on by Wisconsinites and their families;
 - iii. Strategies for borrowers that could help reduce loan and education-related defaults and other negative consequences for Wisconsinites;
 - iv. Strategies aimed at our most vulnerable populations struggling with student debt, including students of color, low-income students, first-generation students, women, veterans, and seniors;
 - v. The State's role in preventing abusive practices and ensuring that loan companies do not take unreasonable advantage of borrowers;
 - vi. Improving data collection and sharing on when and why student loan borrowers default to help borrowers, regulators, and law enforcement officials spot emerging risks;
 - vii. The State's role in maintaining affordable and high-quality higher education institutions in the State that are financially accessible to Wisconsin families, including effective state support to higher education institutions and state-based financial aid;
 - viii. Other programmatic and budgetary recommendations for consideration by the Governor and Legislature; and
 - ix. Any other steps to address the student debt crisis in Wisconsin.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done in the City of Pewaukee this twenty-ninth day of January, in the year two thousand twenty.

TONY EVERS
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE

**State of Wisconsin
Office of the Governor**

January 30, 2020

The Honorable, the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint DAVID M. MAXWELL, of Westby, as a Non-Resident, Tourism Representative on the Kickapoo Reserve Management Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,
TONY EVERS
Governor

Read and referred to the committee on **Natural Resources and Energy**.