



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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Summary of Joint Legislative Council Mail Ballot

[Results will be tabulated and available after April 13, 2018]

The Co-Chairs of the Joint Legislative Council recommend establishment of 9 Study Committees and appointment of their chairs and vice-chairs as follows:

ESTABLISHMENT OF STUDY COMMITTEES

1. Study Committee on Bail and Conditions of Pretrial Release

[Senator Van Wanggaard, Chair, and Senator Fred A. Risser, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review Wisconsin's pretrial release system, including considerations for courts in imposing monetary bail and for denying pretrial release. The committee shall review relevant Wisconsin constitutional and statutory provisions and best practices implemented by Wisconsin counties and other states, including use of risk assessment tools for informing pretrial detention decisions. The committee is directed to recommend legislation regarding bail and pretrial release that enhances public safety, respects constitutional rights of the accused, considers costs to local governments, and incorporates evidence-based strategies.

2. Study Committee on Minor Guardianships

[Representative Jim Steineke, Chair, and Senator LaTonya Johnson, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to examine ch. 54, Stats., concerning guardianship of minors and adults, and recommend legislation that creates procedures specific to guardianship of a minor. The committee may consider whether any new provisions should apply to guardianship of a minor's person, estate, or both.

3. Study Committee on Child Placement and Support

[Representative Robert Brooks, Chair, and Senator Lena Taylor, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review the standards under current law for determining periods of physical placement and child support obligations. The committee may consider alternatives to current law concerning physical placement, including a rebuttable presumption that equal placement is in the child's best interest. The committee may also consider whether the current standard for determining child support adequately and equitably provides for the support of children and alternative models for determining child support obligations.

4. Study Committee on Property Tax Assessment Practices

[Senator Luther Olsen, Chair, and Representative Scott Allen, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review current property tax assessment practices, including the review of statutory, administrative, and judicial directives on assessment practices and the consistency of assessment practices throughout the state. Following its review, the committee shall recommend legislation to revise and clarify property tax assessment practices, including recommendations regarding the role of comparable sales and market segments in assessments and the assessment of leased property.

5. Study Committee on the Use of Police Body Cameras

[Senator Patrick Testin, Chair, and Representative Chris Taylor, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review law enforcement policies regarding the use of body cameras and recommend legislation to establish uniform procedures regarding the retention and release of body camera video for state and local law enforcement agencies.

6. Study Committee on the Investment and Use of the School Trust Funds

[Representative Terry Katsma, Chair, and Senator Lena Taylor, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review the statutes governing the investment of the trust funds administered by the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands (BCPL), including the loan programs administered by BCPL. The committee shall assess whether current statutes adequately ensure the effective investment and appropriate use of the proceeds of the funds, and recommend legislation for necessary changes.

7. Study Committee on Alcohol Beverages Enforcement

[Representative Rob Swearingen, Chair, and Senator Daniel Feyen, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review the structure and staffing of the Department of Revenue's efforts to enforce Wisconsin's

alcohol beverage laws found in ch. 125, Stats., and compare the regulatory and enforcement structure of alcohol law enforcement efforts in other states. The committee shall further examine whether establishments and venues that serve alcohol are properly licensed to do so. The committee may recommend legislation that ensures the proper enforcement of alcohol beverage laws, including increased clarity and education.

8. Study Committee on Direct Primary Care

[Senator Alberta Darling, Chair, and Representative John Nygren, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review the emergence of “direct primary care” as a healthcare delivery option and assess its potential impact on the healthcare delivery system and health outcomes in the state. The committee shall recommend legislation regarding requirements for direct primary care arrangements in the private market. In addition, the committee is directed to review options for incorporation of direct primary care arrangements into the fee-for-service and managed-care parts of the Medical Assistance (MA) program and assess its potential impact on the functionality, efficiency, and effectiveness of service delivery and health outcomes in both parts of the MA program. The committee shall recommend legislation regarding a direct primary care pilot in the MA program, including an evaluation of the impact of the pilot on service delivery and health outcomes for participating individuals and the MA program as a whole.

9. Study Committee on Identification and Management of Dyslexia

[Representative Bob Kulp, Chair, and Senator Patty Schachtner, Vice Chair]

SCOPE: The Study Committee is directed to review current screening, identification, school intervention, and treatment protocols for dyslexia in K-12 schools; to examine the effects of current state statutes and regulations on literacy outcomes for students with dyslexia; and to evaluate the effects of dyslexia on literacy outcomes in the state. The committee shall study recent research on evidence-based instructional techniques for students with dyslexia; determine the components and costs of successful dyslexia education practices and laws in other states; and identify institutional obstacles to academic attainment for these students. The committee shall consider legislation to implement screening for characteristics of dyslexia in early grades; to ensure that reading instruction and intervention practices incorporate relevant research findings from the University of Wisconsin; to improve the partnership between parents, educators, counselors, and others on early identification and effective interventions for dyslexic learners; and to

enhance statewide access to updated resources and training on dyslexic education.

BIENNIAL APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS

The Co-Chairs of the Joint Legislative Council recommend that *Representative Jeffrey Mursau* serve as *Chair* and *Senator Kathleen Vinehout* serve as *Vice Chair* of the Special Committee on State-Tribal Relations.

SCOPE: The committee is directed to study issues relating to American Indians and the American Indian tribes and bands in this state and develop specific recommendations and legislative proposals relating to these issues. [s. 13.83 (3), Stats.]