



2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 972

April 22, 2010 - Introduced by Representatives M. WILLIAMS, VOS, KESTELL, MONTGOMERY, STRACHOTA, KERKMAN, SUDER, TOWNSEND, SPANBAUER, KAUFERT, BROOKS, KRAMER, NYGREN and KLEEFISCH, cosponsored by Senators SCHULTZ and LAZICH. Referred to Committee on State Affairs and Homeland Security.

- 1 **AN ACT relating to:** creation of the Waste, Fraud, Abuse, and Oversight
2 Commission to investigate waste, fraud, and abuse in state government and
3 make recommendations to the Joint Committee on Finance.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill creates a committee to be known as the Waste, Fraud, Abuse, and Oversight Commission (commission), consisting of the governor; two majority party senators; two minority party senators; two majority party representatives to the assembly; two minority party representatives to the assembly; and a public member appointed by the governor. The commission must examine all areas of state government and state programs for evidence of waste, fraud, and abuse. No later than March 1, 2011, the commission must submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the cochairpersons of the Joint Committee on Finance (JCF). The report must specify the amount of savings to the state that would occur if the recommendations contained in the report were implemented.

The bill further provides that, in budget deliberations for the 2011-13 fiscal biennium, JCF must consider the recommendations of the commission contained in the report.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

ASSEMBLY BILL 972**1 SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

2 (1) WASTE, FRAUD, ABUSE, AND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.

3 (a) There is created a committee to be known as the waste, fraud, abuse, and
4 oversight commission, consisting of all of the following:

5 1. The governor.

6 2. Two members of the majority party in the senate, appointed as are the
7 members of standing committees in the senate.

8 3. Two members of the minority party in the senate, appointed as are the
9 members of standing committees in the senate.

10 4. Two members of the majority party in the assembly, appointed as are the
11 members of standing committees in the assembly.

12 5. Two members of the minority party in the assembly, appointed as are the
13 members of standing committees in the assembly.

14 6. One public member appointed by the governor.

15 (b) The governor shall serve as chairperson of the commission.

16 (c) The department of administration shall provide all necessary staff and
17 support services for the commission.

18 (d) The commission shall examine all areas of state government and state
19 programs for evidence of waste, fraud, and abuse. No later than March 1, 2011, the
20 commission shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the
21 cochairpersons of the joint committee on finance. The report shall specify the
22 amount of savings to the state that would occur if the recommendations contained
23 in the report were implemented.

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1 (e) In budget deliberations for the 2011-13 fiscal biennium, the joint committee
2 on finance shall consider the recommendations of the commission contained in the
3 report submitted to the joint committee on finance under paragraph (d).

4 **(END)**