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Audit Reports and Program Evaluations. (1945 to date)

Originally published by the Wisconsin Budget Bureau and later by the Wisconsin Department of State Audit, this collection of evaluations and financial audits of various state programs is available in the State Documents Collection. Audits have been issued by the Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau since 1966.

Bulletin of the Proceedings of the Wisconsin Legislature.

Offices of the Wisconsin Assembly and Senate Chief Clerks and the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau.

Produced biennially, these bulletins contain the history of Assembly and Senate legislation and clearinghouse rules; a subject, author, journal, and acts index; and a statutory sections affected list. Recent editions list registered lobbyists, principals, and state agency liaisons.

Callaghan's Wisconsin Reports. 1st Series (1846 to May 7, 1957); 2nd Series (May 7, 1957 to date)

Certificates of Condolence, Congratulation, & Commemoration.

Compiled by the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau, these certificates are issued every session by both houses of the Wisconsin Legislature. (1957 to date)

Clippings Collection. Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau.

This collection of news clippings begins in the early 1900s. Books of clippings are classified by subject and are placed on shelves with other library materials; clippings before 1980 on microfiche. A biography file is available. An in-house database of scanned clippings (1981-1995; 2002 to date) is under construction.

Drafting Records.

Drafting records for Wisconsin bills, resolutions, and joint resolutions—as well as for Wisconsin Acts—are available on microfiche (1927-1997). Paper files of recent sessions are available as storage space allows. Online, 1999-2007: www.legis.wisconsin.gov/w3asp/documents/drafting_files.aspx

Informational Papers. Wisconsin Legislative Fiscal Bureau.

A biennial series of approximately 95 reports that summarize major state programs and tax sources. The reports also contain a wealth of statistical data on revenues and expenditures for state government.

Laws of Wisconsin.

Published since 1836, recent editions (published by the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau) contain text of the new session laws, enrolled joint resolutions, list of affected statute sections, and an index.

Opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Wisconsin. Wisconsin Attorney General. 1912 to date.

Separate volumes include: *Index to Digest of Opinions: 1845-1972* and *1973 and continuing*.

Reports to the Legislature. Wisconsin Joint Legislative Council.

Each biennium, the Council selects topics of legislative interest for special investigation. The final reports of the Council's Special Committees describe the key provisions of the legislation recommended by the committee. Reports also include overviews of the activities and related publications issued by the committee. The LRB maintains an index of the Council's Special Committees going back to 1947.

West's Wisconsin Statutes, Annotated. West Publishing Company.

Each volume incorporates new annotative material.

Wisconsin Administrative Code. Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau.

A continuously revised looseleaf publication of executive agencies which have rule-making authority.

Wisconsin Administrative Register. Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau.

Bi-monthly publication listing emergency rules and changes to the *Administrative Code*.

Wisconsin Legislation: Assembly & Senate Bills, Joint Resolutions, and Resolutions.

The Library has almost every legislative document since statehood. (1865-1995: microfiche; 1905 to date: paper; 1995 to date: online)

Wisconsin Legislation — Retrospective Card File:

1893-1994. A one-of-a-kind subject guide to Wisconsin legislation, this unique research resource is a chronological file of 3x5 inch cards arranged by subject.

Wisconsin Statutes. Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau.

Published biennially, copies of each revision beginning in 1839 are available in the Reference Room. Online, 1969-2007: www.legis.wisconsin.gov/rsb/stats.html
2009 revisions are regularly incorporated into the text.