

# Did U know?

- \* The present State Capitol located in Madison is actually Wisconsin's fourth capitol building. The first Wisconsin State Capitol was located in southwest Wisconsin near the town of Belmont. It was a small two-story building that still stands today. The first Legislature met there on October 25, 1836.
- \* The Legislature met in Madison for the first time in 1838. The Second Capitol eventually became too small. It was torn down in 1863 and re-built. In 1904, the third Capitol was destroyed by fire.
- \* Construction of our present Capitol began in 1906. It took 11 years to complete, at a cost of more than \$7 million.
- \* The Capitol is 284.4 feet tall from the ground floor to the top of the statue on the dome. It's just three feet and one-half inch shorter than the nation's Capitol in Washington D.C. The State Capitol dome is one of the largest domes by volume in the entire world.



# What's YOUR opinion?

Your opinion counts, so get involved and tell your elected official what you think. Write me at:

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# A Student Guide to State Government



## Welcome!

I'm your State Representative Peter Barca and this is a guide my office prepared for you! It's filled with fun facts and games about your Wisconsin government.

I am one of 99 State Representatives who serve in the Wisconsin State Assembly. I live in your neighborhood and travel to the Capitol to attend committee meetings, vote on bills that are before the State Assembly, meet with groups and address constituent concerns.

The Capitol is a great place to visit and a great place to work. I am very honored to be your State Representative and I hope you will ask me questions about state government. Good luck in school and when you and your parents are in Madison, please stop by my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Peter".

Peter Barca  
State Representative  
Wisconsin's 64th Assembly District



# State Scrambler

|                |                     |       |
|----------------|---------------------|-------|
| State Bird     | n b o r i           | _____ |
| State Animal   | r e d b a g         | _____ |
| State Grain    | n o c r             | _____ |
| State Tree     | g u a r s l e p m a | _____ |
| State Dance    | k l p o a           | _____ |
| State Beverage | k i l m             | _____ |
| State Rock     | t g a i n e r       | _____ |

# Word Search

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# In-QUIZ-itive?

- How many senators serve in the State Legislature?
  - 99
  - 33
  - 10
- How many representatives serve in the State Assembly?
  - 33
  - 10
  - 99
- Which of the following counties are in the 64<sup>th</sup> Assembly District?
  - Racine
  - Dane
  - Kenosha
- What is the population of the 64<sup>th</sup> Assembly District?
  - 10,000
  - 50,000
  - 55,000
- Who is Wisconsin's current Governor?
  - Obama
  - Walker
  - Johnson
- Who is your State Representative serving the 64<sup>th</sup> Assembly District?
  - Bob Wirch
  - Peter Barca
  - Jim Kreuser
- How tall is the Wisconsin State Capitol Building?
  - One Mile
  - 10,000 feet
  - 284.4 feet
  - 100 feet
- Who has the power to veto bills passed by the Legislature?
  - The Governor
  - The Attorney General
  - The Assembly Speaker



Answers:  
 Scrambler: robin,  
 badger, corn, sugar,  
 maple, polka, milk,  
 granite  
 Quiz: 1) b; 2) c; 3) a,  
 c; 4) c; 5) b; 6) b; 7) c;  
 8) a