



DOG THE BOUNTY HUNTER BILL RETURNS IN BUDGET

Bail Bonds are back. Since the early 1970's private bail bondsmen and bounty hunters have been illegal in Wisconsin. In a last minute addition to the budget, bail bondsmen were authorized to work in five counties in Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Waukesha, Racine, Kenosha, and Dane. Bail bondsmen are widely opposed by almost everyone in the criminal justice system in Wisconsin, especially in Milwaukee. When you consider the number of African-American men Wisconsin is currently putting in prison, no one should think we are in any need of bail bondsmen. We do not need any more trigger-happy agents running around Milwaukee profiting on the criminal justice system.



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EDUCATION BUDGET NOT THE BEST FOR KIDS

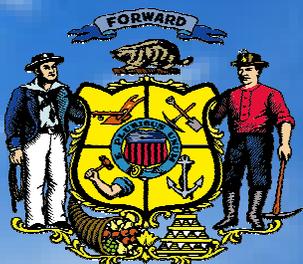
Wisconsin's K-12 budget has far more issues than solutions for children. For example, Republican members of the Joint Committee on Finance decided to expand the private school voucher program statewide. Based on the party line vote, voucher enrollment outside of Milwaukee and Racine will be capped at 500 students for next year and 1,000 students for every following year. However, the committee voted to increase public school spending by \$150 per pupil in each of the next two years. Although not as much as Democratic members of the committee asked for (\$275), it is better than Gov. Walker's \$0 increase request. We must work together to achieve the significant amount of work that remains to ensure all Wisconsin students, especially those in Milwaukee, have access to excellent K-12 educational opportunities.



Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

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VOTING RESTRICTION BILL ON FAST TRACK

AB 225, the new Voting Restrictions Act, is on the fast-track in the Assembly. The bill puts restrictions on the time for absentee voting, namely on Milwaukee's weekend voting, but gives us legislators more time to solicit lobbysits for campaign cash. Milwaukee's NAACP VP Tish Minor (right) testified against the bill along with many others. Voting rights are sacred and the GOP planned this bill two days after the last election! You can find more on the bill at: bit.ly/11pMUNU



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BUDGET ATTACKS WATCHDOG JOURNALISTS

In an audacious move, the state budget now bans the Center for Investigative Journalism from leasing space at UW-Madison or allowing any employee of the UW to work at the Center. The Center operates www.WisconsinWatch.org which reports on major issues in Wisconsin, like frac sand mining, money in politics, and other policy initiatives. We should be very afraid when government begins to directly interfere in the reporting work of journalists.



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**"Justice cannot be for one side alone,
but must be for both."**

— Eleanor Roosevelt



**"All the great things are simple, and
many can be expressed in a single
word: freedom, justice, honor, duty,
mercy, hope."**

— Sir Winston Churchill

