

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE AUDIT BUREAU LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

January 15, 1999

Governor Tommy G. Thompson and

Members of the Legislature

**State Capitol** 

Madison, Wisconsin 53702

**Dear Governor Thompson and Members of the Legislature:** 

This is the biennial report of the operations and performance of the Legislative Audit Bureau for the period January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1998, as required by s. 13.94(1)(j), Wis. Stats.

The Legislative Audit Bureau is a nonpartisan service agency of the Wisconsin Legislature and is responsible for conducting financial and program evaluation audits to assist the Legislature in its oversight of executive branch agencies. The Bureau's reports are received and reviewed by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. On December 31, 1998, Audit Committee members were:

Senator Mary A. Lazich, Co-chairperson Representative Carol Kelso, Co-chairperson

Senator Peggy Rosenzweig

Senator Gary Drzewiecki

Senator Robert Wirch

Senator Kimberly Plache

Representative Stephen Nass

Representative John Gard

Representative Gregory Huber

Representative Robert Ziegelbauer

During 1997 and 1998, the Audit Bureau completed audits and evaluations of a wide range of programs and issues affecting state and local government. This report includes a description of the Bureau and its responsibilities and a summary of our work during this period.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Mueller

**State Auditor** 

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**Biennial Report**