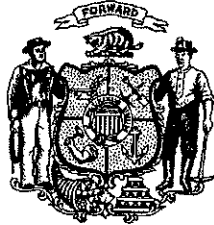


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## JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To: Members  
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling  
Representative John Nygren

Date: February 18, 2015

Re: Agency Budget Briefings

Agency budget briefings have been scheduled for March 2, 3, and 4. All briefings will be held in 412 East, State Capitol. The schedule of briefings is as follows:

### Monday, March 2 (1:00 p.m.)

- Department of Administration
  - Budget Overview
  - DOA Budget Provisions (including Building Commission, Budget Management and Compensation Reserves, and Sports and Entertainment District)
- Department of Corrections
- Supreme Court
- Department of Justice

### Tuesday, March 3 (9:00 a.m.)

- Department of Natural Resources
- Department of Workforce Development
- University of Wisconsin System
- Department of Public Instruction
- Department of Health Services

**Wednesday, March 4 (9:00 a.m.)**

- Department of Transportation
- Department of Revenue (including Lottery and Shared Revenues)
- Department of Children and Families
- Department of Financial Institutions
- Department of Safety and Professional Services
- Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
- Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority

Letters have been sent to each agency that has been invited to appear before the Committee. Copies of two of those letters are attached. In addition, a letter was sent to each agency that was not scheduled for an agency briefing. A list of those agencies and a copy of one of those letters are also attached.

If you have questions, contact our offices.

Attachments

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## JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

February 18, 2015

Mr. Michael Huebsch, Secretary  
Department of Administration  
101 East Wilson Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Secretary Huebsch:

Beginning on Monday, March 2, the Joint Committee on Finance will begin to hold budget briefings for selected state agencies on the Governor's 2015-17 budget recommendations.

Your agency is one that has been selected to appear before the Committee. The purpose of the meeting is to allow you to present testimony on the budget and the impact that the bill would have on your agency and its programs. Any items of concern or recommended changes that you have regarding the budget as it affects your agency should be presented at the time of your hearing.

Also, given your role in the overall construction of the budget, we would ask that you highlight the major provisions of AB 21/SB 21. Your testimony will be followed by questions from the Committee's members.

Your briefing is scheduled for Monday, March 2. Following is a listing of the agencies that will appear on that date. Agencies will be called in the order presented on the schedule. The briefings will be held in Room 412 East, State Capitol, and begin at 1:00 p.m..

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  - Budget Overview
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The Legislative Fiscal Bureau is preparing a comprehensive summary of each item of the executive budget. Consequently, we do not expect, nor want, you to review each item of the budget but rather, highlight those aspects of the bill which impact your agency and its programs. It is the Fiscal Bureau's document that the Committee will refer to during the hearing. A copy of it will be made available to you prior to your scheduled briefing. In addition, once completed, the document will be on the Legislative Fiscal Bureau's website ([www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lfb](http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lfb)).

The Committee thanks you for your cooperation and looks forward to your presentation on the 2015-17 budget.

Sincerely,



ALBERTA DARLING  
Senate Chair



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cc: Members, Joint Committee on Finance

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## JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

February 18, 2015

Mr. Edward Wall, Secretary  
Department of Corrections  
3099 East Washington Avenue, 2nd Floor  
Madison, WI 53704

Dear Secretary Wall:

Beginning on Monday, March 2, the Joint Committee on Finance will begin to hold budget briefings for selected state agencies on the Governor's 2015-17 budget recommendations.

Your agency is one that has been selected to appear before the Committee. The purpose of the meeting is to allow you to present testimony on the budget and the impact that the bill would have on your agency and its programs. Any items of concern or recommended changes that you have regarding the budget as it affects your agency should be presented at the time of your hearing. Your testimony will be followed by questions from the Committee's members.

Your briefing is scheduled for Monday, March 2. Following is a listing of the agencies that will appear on that date. Agencies will be called in the order presented on the schedule. The briefings will be held in Room 412 East, State Capitol, and begin at 1:00 p.m.

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The Committee thanks you for your cooperation and looks forward to your presentation on your agency's 2015-17 budget.

Sincerely,



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ALBERTA DARLING  
Senate Chair



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cc: Members, Joint Committee on Finance

## Agencies not Scheduled for an Agency Budget Briefing

Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Board for People with Developmental Disabilities  
Board of Commissioners Public Lands  
Board on Aging and Long-Term Care

Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board

Educational Communications Board  
Employee Trust Funds  
Employment Relations Commission

Fox River Navigational System Authority

Government Accountability Board

Higher Educational Aids Board  
Historical Society

Insurance, Office of the Commissioner of  
Investment Board

Judicial Commission  
Judicial Council

Lieutenant Governor  
Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board

Marquette University  
Medical College of Wisconsin  
Military Affairs

Office of State Employment Relations

Public Defender  
Public Service Commission  
Railroads, Office of the Commissioner of

Secretary of State  
State Fair Park  
State Prosecutors Office  
State Treasurer

Tourism

Veterans Affairs

Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority  
Wisconsin Technical College System

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## JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

February 18, 2015

Mr. Ben Brancel, Secretary  
Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection  
2811 Agriculture Drive  
Madison, WI 53718

Dear Secretary Brancel:

Beginning on Monday, March 2, the Joint Committee on Finance will hold 2015-17 budget briefings on a selected number of state agencies. The heads of those agencies will be asked to appear before the Committee and provide testimony regarding the impact that the Governor's budget bill would have on their agencies and programs.

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection has not been scheduled for a briefing. However, if you would like to discuss your agency's budget with us or other members of the Committee, please contact our offices.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Alberta Darling in cursive script.

ALBERTA DARLING  
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