



Tuesday Morning Memo

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- **WE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN YOU!**

There has been a very high amount of activity related to the state budget in the last two weeks. The Joint Committee on Finance passed their version of the budget in the “wee” hours of the morning. Not every member of the committee had the opportunity to participate in the final discussion and vote.

The State Assembly is scheduled to take up the budget later this week. They could pass a budget by the end of the week. If that is the case, the State Senate could take up the budget next week. If there are significant differences between the version passed by the Senate and the version passed by the Assembly, a conference committee, made up of members from both Houses, we work on a compromise proposal. Whatever proposal comes out of conference committee must receive an “up or down” vote – it cannot be amended.

- **STATE BUDGET INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE**

Last evening, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau summary documents of the budget language approved by the Joint Committee on Finance became available. If you would like to see these documents, they can be found on the Legislative Fiscal Bureau website at:

http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lfb/LFBPublications_ButtonPages/2009-11_budget.htm

Also, The Arc-Wisconsin has developed a summary and comparison of major developmental disability issues in the current version of the state budget. This document provides a brief look at the issues and includes a comparison of each issue between the Governor’s proposal and the proposal approved by the Joint Committee on Finance. To see this summary, go to:

<http://www.arc-wisconsin.org/resources/2009statebudgetdissuegovernorjointfinancesummaryc.pdf>

For the next few weeks, the state budget situation will change quickly and often. The Arc-Wisconsin will make every effort to make regular updates available to subscribers to the Tuesday Morning Memo and on The Arc-WI website. Please visit The Arc-WI website at <http://www.arc-wisconsin.org> for recent news articles related to the state budget.

- **HE PLANS TO STICK AROUND**

David Boelter is no longer “interim” Executive Director of The Arc of Fond du Lac. After an extensive search that included interviews with many excellent candidates, the Board of Directors of The Arc of Fond du Lac announced that David Boelter is the individual that will lead this dynamic and growing organization. For information on The Arc of Fond du Lac, please visit their website at:

<http://www.arcfdl.org/>