



Tuesday Morning Memo

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- **STATE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS IN FINAL STAGES (MAYBE)**

The state budget process may be in its final stages. Thus far, the budget proposal was introduced by the Governor, modified by the Joint Committee on Finance, further modified by the Assembly and further modified by the Senate. There had been rumors that legislative leaders were working “behind closed doors” over the weekend to come up with a final version that would have enough votes to pass both legislative houses and be signed by the Governor with minimal, if any, vetoes. The latest, as of Tuesday morning, is that the Senate has postponed their session for today. This may be a final attempt to develop a compromise without having to take the step of establishing a conference committee. Should this step be required, a committee of members from both legislative houses will be appointed by leadership. Their charge will be to develop a compromise budget proposal that has enough votes to pass both houses and be signed by the Governor. Once this committee comes up with a compromise proposal, it cannot be amended. Legislators must vote yes or no (or abstain). The conference committee must continue its work until a budget proposal is approved.

For summaries of the various budget versions, go to the website of the Legislative Fiscal Bureau at: http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lfb/LFBPublications_ButtonPages/2009-11_budget.htm

For news articles related to the state budget, go to the website of The Arc-Wisconsin at: <http://www.arc-wisconsin.org/>

Once the budget is approved by the Legislature and signed by the Governor, The Arc-Wisconsin will develop a comprehensive summary.

- **THE ARC-WISCONSIN PROVIDES LISTING OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

The Arc-Wisconsin website now includes a listing of open positions in the field of serving people with developmental disabilities. Listings for positions at affiliated Arc chapters will be included at no charge. Listings of positions at other organizations will be included for \$25. The listings will remain on the site until positions are filled. Also, when a new open position is added to our website, we will mention it in the next Tuesday Morning Memo. If you would like more information, please contact Jim Hoegemeier at arcwjim@att.net.

New positions on the website include:

- Development Director, The Arc of Fond du Lac, Inc., Fond du Lac, WI
- Volunteer Coordinator, The Arc of Fond du Lac, Inc., Fond du Lac, WI

For additional information about these positions, please visit the “Employment Opportunities” section of The Arc-Wisconsin website at: <http://www.arc-wisconsin.org/arcwisconsin/employment+opportunities/default.asp>.

- **LOOKING BEYOND THE HEADLINES**

Sometimes, it pays to look beyond the headlines of news stories. See if you can find the disability connection in this article from today’s *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*. Hint: there is cross connection to Bo, The First Dog. <http://www.jsonline.com/news/usandworld/48817342.html>