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**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 3,
TO 2009 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 14**

March 23, 2010 – Offered by SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND STANDARDS OF CONDUCT.

1 **Relating to:** the expulsion of Jeffrey Wood, a representative from the 67th Assembly
2 District, in accordance with article IV, section 8, of the Wisconsin Constitution
3 and Assembly Rule 21.

4 ***Resolved by the assembly, That:***

5 Whereas, article IV, section 8, of the Wisconsin Constitution provides that each
6 house may punish for contempt and disorderly behavior, and with the concurrence
7 of two-thirds of all the members elected, expel a member; and

8 Whereas, Assembly Rule 43 (3) provides that any resolution to reprimand,
9 censure, or expel a member of the assembly shall identify the charges against the
10 member cited and shall be referred to the committee on ethics and standards of
11 conduct for review; and

12 Whereas, the Wisconsin state assembly has adopted Assembly Rule 21,
13 providing for the appointment of a special committee on ethics and standards of

1 conduct to consider any resolution to reprimand, censure, or expel a member of the
2 assembly for the purpose of holding one or more public hearings on the resolution and
3 to make a recommendation for action on the resolution; and

4 Whereas, under Assembly Rule 21 (2), a duty of the special committee is to
5 ascertain the facts of the controversy, which are summarized below; and

6 Whereas, Jeffrey Wood currently serves as the representative to the assembly
7 from the 67th Assembly District for the term of the 2009–2010 legislative session;
8 and

9 Whereas, on December 12, 2008, Representative Wood was arrested for
10 operating while intoxicated in Columbia County, which could result in his third,
11 fourth, or fifth offense under Wisconsin law; and

12 Whereas, law enforcement and eye witness accounts regarding Representative
13 Wood's driving on December 12, 2008, indicate that his driving was erratic and
14 dangerous; and

15 Whereas, Representative Wood was charged with operating a motor vehicle
16 while under the influence of an intoxicant (third offense), operating a motor vehicle
17 with a prohibited alcohol concentration (PAC) (third offense), possession of
18 tetrahydrocannabinols (THC), and possession of drug paraphernalia as a result of
19 his arrest on December 12, 2008; and

20 Whereas, as a condition of release relating to the case resulting from his
21 December 12, 2008, arrest, Representative Wood was ordered by the court to
22 maintain absolute sobriety at all times; and

23 Whereas, on December 1, 2009, a motion to suppress evidence of THC and drug
24 paraphernalia from Representative Wood's December 12, 2008, arrest was denied by
25 the circuit court; and

1 Whereas, a plea hearing in the case resulting from Representative Wood's
2 December 12, 2008, arrest has been scheduled for April 19, 2010; and

3 Whereas, on September 23, 2009, Representative Wood was arrested for
4 operating while under the influence in Marathon County, which could result in his
5 third, fourth, or fifth offense under Wisconsin law; and

6 Whereas, law enforcement and eye witness accounts regarding Representative
7 Wood's driving on September 23, 2009, indicate that his driving was erratic and
8 dangerous; and

9 Whereas, Representative Wood was charged with operating while under the
10 influence of a controlled substance (third offense) and inattentive driving as a result
11 of his arrest on September 23, 2009; and

12 Whereas, as a condition of release relating to the case resulting from his
13 September 23, 2009, arrest, Representative Wood was ordered by the court to take
14 no controlled substances without a prescription and, if prescribed, to take controlled
15 substances only in doses as prescribed; and

16 Whereas, on October 21, 2009, Representative Wood was arrested for operating
17 a motor vehicle while impaired in Monroe County, which could result in his third,
18 fourth, or fifth offense under Wisconsin law; and

19 Whereas, law enforcement and eye witness accounts regarding Representative
20 Wood's driving on October 21, 2009, indicate that his driving was erratic and
21 dangerous; and

22 Whereas, Representative Wood was charged with operating while under the
23 influence of an intoxicant or other drug (third offense) and misdemeanor bail
24 jumping as a result of his arrest on October 21, 2009; and

