



State of Wisconsin
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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2011 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 63**

March 6, 2012 – Offered by Representatives PASCH, BARCA, POCAN, HEBL, BERNARD
SCHABER and BEWLEY.

- 1 At the locations indicated, amend the joint resolution as follows:
- 2 **1.** Page 1, line 3: delete “and a code” and substitute “, a code”.
- 3 **2.** Page 1, line 4: after “officials” insert “, and treatment of contributions used
- 4 to finance recall petition drives”.
- 5 **3.** Page 2, line 23: after that line insert:
- 6 “**SECTION 4m.** Section 14 of article XIII of the constitution is created to read:
- 7 [Article XIII] Section 14 (1) An act is for political purposes when it is done for
- 8 the purpose of influencing the election or nomination for election of any individual
- 9 to state or local office; for the purpose of influencing the recall from or retention in
- 10 office of an individual holding a state or local office, whether before or after the time
- 11 that a recall election is ordered, or for the purpose of contesting or defending a recall
- 12 election order; for the purpose of payment of expenses incurred as a result of a
- 13 recount at an election; or for the purpose of influencing a particular vote at a

1 referendum. In the case of a candidate, or a committee or group which is organized
2 primarily for the purpose of influencing the election or nomination for election of any
3 individual to state or local office, for the purpose of influencing the recall from or
4 retention in office of an individual holding a state or local office, or for the purpose
5 of influencing a particular vote at a referendum, all administrative and overhead
6 expenses for the maintenance of an office or staff which are used principally for any
7 such purpose are deemed to be for a political purpose.

8 (2) Contributions utilized for the purpose of payment of legal fees and other
9 expenses incurred as a result of a recount at an election are not subject to limitation
10 by this section.

11 (3) In the case of an officer against whom a recall petition is circulated or a
12 candidate whose candidacy is advocated to replace such an officer, the campaign of
13 the candidate begins on the day that any person registers his or her intent to
14 circulate a recall petition and ends on the date specified for a special election under
15 the statutes, or if no recall election is ordered, on the date on which the officeholder
16 or candidate receives sufficient contributions to retire any obligations incurred in
17 connection with the circulation of the petition.”

18 (END)