



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Bill 12

**Assembly Substitute
Amendment 1**

Memo published: February 5, 2001

Contact: Robert J. Conlin, Senior Staff Attorney (266-2298)

Under current law, an elector must provide or confirm his or her name and address before being permitted to vote at any polling place.

Assembly Bill 12 requires an elector to, in addition to the above requirement, present a valid Wisconsin driver's license issued to the elector which contains a photograph of the license holder, a valid Wisconsin identification card issued to the elector or a copy of the elector's birth certificate as a precondition to voting at a polling place.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 retains current law with respect to an elector providing and confirming his or her name and address at the polling place, but instead of requiring a voter to present a driver's license, identification card or a birth certificate, requires the Elections Board to prepare recommendations with regard to issuing voter identification cards to electors in this state. The recommendations must be submitted to the Legislature for distribution to the appropriate standing committees no later than the first day of the seventh month beginning after the effective date of the bill.

Adoption of Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was recommended by the Assembly Committee on Campaigns and Elections, 4 Ayes, 2 Noes, January 23, 2001.