



2013 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 77

November 25, 2013 - Introduced by Representatives RIEMER, SANFELIPPO, ZAMARRIPA, BARNES, CRAIG, GOYKE, KOYENGA, PASCH, SINICKI, YOUNG, ZEPNICK and KUGLITSCH, cosponsored by Senators CARPENTER, HARRIS and L. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on State Affairs and Government Operations.

1 **To amend** section 4 (1) (c) of article VI of the constitution; **relating to:** appointment
2 of treasurer in Milwaukee county (first consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The constitution provides that county treasurers shall be elected in each county. This amendment, proposed to the 2013 legislature on first consideration, provides that Milwaukee county shall have the option of either electing the county treasurer or having that position be appointed by the county executive, with the concurrence of the county board, unless another method of appointment is provided by law.

A proposed constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

3 **Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:**
4 **SECTION 1.** Section 4 (1) (c) of article VI of the constitution is amended to read:
5 [Article VI] Section 4 (1) (c) Beginning with the first general election at which
6 the president is elected which occurs after the ratification of this paragraph, district
7 attorneys, registers of deeds, county clerks, and treasurers, except the treasurer in
8 Milwaukee county, shall be chosen by the electors of the respective counties, or by the
9 electors of all of the respective counties comprising each combination of counties

1 combined by the legislature for that purpose, for the term of 4 years and surveyors
2 in counties in which the office of surveyor is filled by election shall be chosen by the
3 electors of the respective counties, or by the electors of all of the respective counties
4 comprising each combination of counties combined by the legislature for that
5 purpose, for the term of 4 years. In Milwaukee county, the county executive shall
6 appoint the treasurer, with the concurrence of the county board, unless another
7 method of appointment is provided by law or unless the county board votes to make
8 the office elective.

9 ***Be it further resolved, That*** this proposed amendment be referred to the
10 legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for three
11 months previous to the time of holding such election.

12 (END)