



2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 497

June 14, 2005 - Introduced by Representative GARD, cosponsored by Senator SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 13.55 (1) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** legislative members
2 of this state's delegation to the National Conference of Commissioners on
3 Uniform State Laws.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, the legislative members of this state's delegation to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL) must be members of the State Bar of Wisconsin. However, current law also provides that a former legislator who was a member of the delegation during his or her term in office and who is a member of the state bar may be appointed to the delegation if a sufficient number of current legislators are not members of the state bar.

This bill provides that such a former legislator may also be appointed to the delegation if a sufficient number of current legislators who are state bar members are unwilling or unable to serve on the delegation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 13.55 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 13.55 (1) (b) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, only senators and
6 representatives to the assembly who are members of the bar association of this state

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1 may be appointed to seats designated for the offices of senator and representative to
2 the assembly under par. (a). A seat designated for one of these offices that cannot
3 be filled ~~as a result~~ because of this requirement, or because a senator or
4 representative to the assembly is unwilling or unable to serve on the delegation, may
5 be filled by a former senator or representative to the assembly from the applicable
6 political party who served on the commission during his or her term as a senator or
7 representative to the assembly and who is a member of the bar association of this
8 state. The former senator or representative to the assembly may be appointed as are
9 members of standing committees and shall serve for a 2-year term as provided under
10 par. (a). This paragraph does not apply if the National Conference of Commissioners
11 on Uniform State Laws permits individuals to become voting commissioners or
12 associate members of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State
13 Laws without regard to membership in the bar of the state that the individual
14 represents.

15 (END)