AN ACT to amend 59.031 (7) of the statutes, relating to filling vacancies in the office of county executive in counties having a population of 500,000 or more.

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

SECTION 1. 59.031 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

59.031 (7) REMOVAL FROM OFFICE; VACANCY, HOW FILLED. The county executive may be removed from office by the governor for cause pursuant to under s. 17.16. A vacancy in the office of county executive shall be filled temporarily, within 30 days of the date of the vacancy, by appointment by the chairman of the county board, subject to confirmation by the county board, from among electors of the county but within. Within 7 days following the occurrence of the vacancy, the chairman of the county board shall order a special election to be held to fill the vacancy and s. Section 8.50 shall apply to such the election except that if such the vacancy occurs less than 100 days before the first Tuesday in April, it shall be held on the day of the general election if the provisions of s. 8.50 permit.