

**CHAPTER 134, Laws of 1979**

AN ACT to amend 60.07 (3) and 60.12 of the statutes, relating to citizen initiative on changing town meeting location and calling a special town meeting.

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

SECTION 1. 60.07 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

60.07 (3) The location of the annual town meeting and all elections shall be held at the same place as the last town meeting unless changed at that meeting or as designated by the supervisors when more than one ward is established. Newly organized towns shall have their first meeting at the place designated in the documents which established the town. The meeting place designated need not be within the town, but shall be convenient to the town within an incorporated city or village within the county. Not more than 6 nor less than 4 weeks before the meeting date the town board, by recorded resolution, or 12 a number of electors of the town equal to not less than 5 % of the votes cast in the town for governor at the last general election, by a filed petition, may have the question of whether to change the meeting place submitted to a vote at the regular town meeting. The resolution or petition shall designate a qualified alternative place with reasonable certainty. Notice of the proposed question shall be given at the same time as the notice of the town meeting. The change shall be made if a majority vote in favor of the change.

SECTION 2. 60.12 of the statutes is amended to read:

**60.12 Special town meetings.** Special town meetings may be held for the purpose of transacting any lawful business which might be done at the annual meeting, on a request being made to the town clerk in writing signed by ~~12 qualified voters of such town~~ a number of electors equal to not less than 10 % of the votes cast in the town for governor at the last general election or by action of the town board, specifying the purposes for which such meeting is to be held. No matter voted upon or decided at any such special town meeting shall be acted upon in any subsequent special town meeting held in such town prior to the time for holding the next annual town meeting.

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