



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 564

September 25, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives BALDUS, MEYER, R. YOUNG, WILDER, GROBSCHMIDT, LA FAVE, PLOMBON, GRONEMUS, HANSON, PLACHE and BELL, cosponsored by Senator CLAUSING. Referred to Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law.

- 1 **AN ACT to amend** 11.50 (2) (h) of the statutes; **relating to:** withdrawal of
2 applications for grants from the Wisconsin election campaign fund.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, candidates for certain state offices may qualify to receive public grants from the Wisconsin election campaign fund to finance certain campaign expenses. In order to receive a grant, a candidate must, in addition to other requirements, agree to abide by statutory disbursement (expenditure) limits and contribution limits, unless the candidate is opposed by another candidate who could have qualified for a grant but declines to accept one, and declines to file a statement of voluntary compliance with the limits. A candidate who wishes to receive a grant must file an application no later than the latest time by which the candidate is permitted to file nomination papers for the office which the candidate seeks, or no later than 7 days after the primary or date on which the primary would be held, if required, in the case of a write-in candidate, or no later than 7 days after appointment in the case of a candidate who is appointed to fill a vacancy in nomination. A candidate may file a written withdrawal of his or her application no later than 7 days after the date of the primary or the date on which the primary would be held, if required. If an application is withdrawn in a timely manner, the candidate is no longer bound by his or her agreement to adhere to disbursement and self-contribution limits.

This bill permits a candidate who files an application for a grant before the applicable deadline for filing an application to withdraw the application no later than that deadline. Under the bill, no candidate may withdraw an application after that deadline.

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

