

# State of Wisconsin



1997 Assembly Bill 396

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## 1997 WISCONSIN ACT 208

AN ACT to amend 755.01 (4) of the statutes; relating to: the filing officer for candidates for the office of municipal judge in municipal courts serving 2 or more municipalities.

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

**SECTION 1.** 755.01 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

755.01 (4) Two or more cities, towns or villages of this state may enter into an agreement under s. 66.30 for the joint exercise of the power granted under sub. (1), except that for purposes of this subsection, any agreement under s. 66.30 shall be effected by the enactment of identical ordinances by each affected city, town or village. Electors of each municipality entering into the agreement shall be eligible to vote for the judge of the municipal court so established. If a municipality enters into an agreement with a municipality that already has a municipal

pal court, the municipalities may provide by ordinance or resolution that the judge for the existing municipal court shall serve as the judge for the joint court until the end of the term or until a special election is held under s. 8.50 (4) (fm). Each municipality shall adopt an ordinance or by-law under sub. (1) prior to entering into the agreement. The contracting municipalities need not be contiguous and need not all be in the same county. Upon entering into or discontinuing such an agreement, the contracting municipalities shall each transmit a certified copy of the ordinance effecting or discontinuing the agreement to the elections board. The elections board shall serve as filing officer for candidates for the office of municipal judge in any municipality where an agreement is in effect.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 1995-96: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].