

# 1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 502

October 5, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives STONE, SPILLNER, SYKORA, MUSSER, SHERMAN, F. LASEE, RYBA, HEBL, MEYER, MILLER, PLALE, LADWIG, SERATTI, JESKEWITZ, PETTIS, WILLIAMS and OWENS, cosponsored by Senators GEORGE, DARLING, ROSENZWEIG, FARROW, HUELSMAN and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Personal Privacy.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 755.02 of the statutes; **relating to:** terms of municipal judges.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, a municipal judge is elected in April and his or her term begins on May 1. The term of a municipal judge is two years unless a longer term, not to exceed four years, is provided by ordinance or bylaw. This bill sets the term for all municipal judge at four years.

For further information see the **local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** 755.02 of the statutes is amended to read:

3 **755.02 Term.** The judges shall be elected at large for a term of ~~2~~ 4 years ~~unless~~  
4 ~~a longer term, not exceeding 4 years, is provided by ordinance or bylaw.~~ The term  
5 shall commence on May 1 of the year of the judge’s election.

6 **SECTION 2. Effective date.**

7 (1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2000.

8 (END)