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## 1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 92

November 5, 1999 - Introduced by Representatives WALKER, STASKUNAS, STONE, HAHN, SPILLNER, PLOUFF, ALBERS, LASSA, OLSEN, TRAVIS, J. LEHMAN, KREIBICH, PETTIS and DUFF, cosponsored by Senator DARLING. Referred to Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

1       **Relating to:** establishment of a rotating regional presidential primary system.

2               Whereas, the quadrennial election of the president and vice president of the  
3       United States is among the most important civic acts of the voters of this state; and

4               Whereas, the process leading to the nomination of candidates for president and  
5       vice president of the United States should be as open and participatory as possible;  
6       and

7               Whereas, it will enhance voter participation, strengthen the political process  
8       and protect the rights of all states and their citizens to have a coordinated, orderly  
9       and defined electoral schedule; ~~now, therefore,~~ be it

10              **Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That** the legislature of  
11       the state of Wisconsin agrees in principle with the concept of establishing a rotating  
12       regional presidential primary system; and, be it further

13              **Resolved, That,** understanding the historically important role that smaller  
14       states have played in the presidential selection process in terms of "retail politics",  
15       the legislature accepts the concept that under such a system the state of Iowa would

1 be allowed to conduct its caucuses and the state of New Hampshire would be allowed  
2 to conduct its primary prior to the conduct of any other primary election; and, be it  
3 further

4 **Resolved, That** the legislature understands that under such a system the  
5 <sup>Natl Assoc. of Secys of State would coordinate the division of the US</sup>  
~~United States would be divided~~ into 4 geographic regions, with this state to be  
6 included in the midwestern region; and, be it further

7 **Resolved, That** the legislature understands that under such a system ~~this~~  
8 ~~state would hold its presidential preference primary on the first Monday after the~~  
9 ~~first Tuesday in May, 2004, and thereafter every 4 years on the first Tuesday in June,~~  
10 ~~March, April or May, with the month of the primary rotating in that sequence.~~

11 (END)

, each of the 4 regions would hold its primary on a different date,  
beginning w/ the 1st Tues. in March and continuing w/ the  
1st Tues's in Apr., May and June, and that a lottery  
would be held to determine the initial sequence in which  
the regions would hold primaries and thereafter the sequence  
would rotate every 4 years.

**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,**

**TO 1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 92**

February 23, 2000 – Offered by Representative WALKER.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the joint resolution as follows:

2 **1.** Page 2, line 5: delete “United States would be divided” and substitute  
3 “National Association of Secretaries of State would coordinate the division of the  
4 United States”.

5 **2.** Page 2, line 7: delete the material beginning with “this” and ending with  
6 “sequence.” on line 10 and substitute “, each of the 4 regions would hold its primary  
7 on a different date, beginning with the first Tuesday in March and continuing with  
8 the first Tuesdays in April, May and June, and that a lottery would be held to  
9 determine the initial sequence in which the regions would hold primaries and  
10 thereafter the sequence would rotate every 4 years.”.

11 (END)



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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,

TO 1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 92

1 At the locations indicated, amend the joint resolution as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 9: delete "now, therefore, be it" and substitute "and". ✓

3 2. Page 1, line 9: after that line insert: ✓

4 "Whereas, if a coordinated electoral schedule among the states does not come  
5 to pass, it would enhance voter participation in this state, strengthen the political  
6 process in this state and protect the rights of this state to hold the presidential  
7 preference primary in this state on the date of the Spring primary; now, therefore,  
8 be it".

9 3. Page 2, line 10: delete the period and substitute "; and, be it further".

10 4. Page 2, line 10: after that line insert:

11 "**Resolved, That** the legislature understands that time is of the essence in  
12 establishing such a system; and, be it further

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*in principle with the concept*  
**Resolved, That** the legislature agrees that, if at least 25 other states fail to  
adopt or support such a system by December 31, 2002, legislation ~~will be necessary~~ *should be enacted*  
to change the date of the presidential preference primary in this state to the date of  
the Spring primary and to create a procedure under which, if all states bordering on  
this state other than Iowa will hold concurrent presidential primaries, the state  
elections board will promulgate rules to change the date of the presidential  
preference primary in this state to coincide with ~~with~~ *with* the date of the presidential  
primary in those states.”

(END)





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