DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Under this draft, as previously introduced, an elector is still required to vote for candidates for the office of governor and lieutenant governor within the same recognized political party or within the independent column or row. This is, I suppose, on the theory that under the Wisconsin constitution, candidates for these offices must run jointly at the general election. The previous draft did not specify what happened if an elector voted for candidates for governor and lieutenant governor in different columns or rows. This draft specifies, in proposed s. 7.50 (1) (d), that in this case the elector's vote for the office of governor is valid but the elector's vote for the office of lieutenant governor is invalid. Please let me know if you would like to see this treated differently.

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