

**2001 - 2002 LEGISLATURE**  
**January 2002 Special Session**

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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 4,**  
**TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,**  
**TO ASSEMBLY BILL 1**

March 14, 2002 – Offered by Representative KRUG.

1           At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:  
2           **1.** Page 48, line 10: after that line insert:  
3           “**SECTION 150md.** 59.10 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:  
4           59.10 **(2)** (d) *Changes during decade.* 1. ‘Number of supervisors; redistricting.’  
5           The board may, not more frequently than once every 4 years, decrease the number  
6           of supervisors at any time after the enactment of a supervisory district plan under  
7           par. (a). In that case, the board shall redistrict, readjust, and change the boundaries  
8           of supervisory districts, so that the number of districts equals the number of  
9           supervisors, the districts are substantially equal in population according to the most  
10          recent countywide federal census, the districts are in as compact a form as possible,  
11          and the districts consist of contiguous whole wards in existence at the time at which  
12          the redistricting plan is adopted. The standards in sub. (3) (b) 2. and 3. with regard

1 to contiguity apply under this subdivision. The board shall, to the extent possible,  
2 place whole contiguous municipalities or contiguous parts of the same municipality  
3 within the same district. In redistricting under this subdivision, the original  
4 numbers of the districts in their geographic outlines, to the extent possible, shall be  
5 retained. The chairperson of the board shall file a certified copy of any redistricting  
6 plan adopted under this subdivision with the secretary of state.

7 2. 'Election; term.' Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, any  
8 redistricting plan enacted under subd. 1. that becomes effective before November 15  
9 preceding the expiration of the term of office of supervisors in the county first applies  
10 to the spring election following the plan's effective date; otherwise, the plan first  
11 applies to the 2nd succeeding spring election following the plan's effective date at  
12 which supervisors are regularly elected in the county. Any redistricting plan enacted  
13 under subd. 1. shall remain in effect until a subsequent redistricting plan enacted  
14 under subd. 1. takes effect, except that any redistricting plan enacted under subd.  
15 1. is void beginning on the effective date of a redistricting plan subsequently enacted  
16 under par. (a). Supervisors elected from the districts created under subd. 1. shall be  
17 elected for 4-year terms and shall take office on the 3rd Monday in April following  
18 their election.

19 **SECTION 150mf.** 59.17 (1) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

20 **SECTION 150mh.** 59.17 (1) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 59.17 (1) and  
21 amended to read:

22 59.17 (1) ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE. ~~Counties with a population of less than~~  
23 ~~500,000~~ A county may by resolution of the board or by petition and referendum create  
24 the office of county executive ~~or abolish it.~~ The office of county executive, whether  
25 created by statute or otherwise, may be abolished by petition and referendum. If the

1 office of county executive is abolished, the person serving in the office shall complete  
2 the term to which elected. The county executive shall be elected ~~the same as a county~~  
3 ~~executive is elected under par. (a)~~ for a term of 4 years commencing with the first  
4 spring election occurring at least 120 days after the creation of the office and shall  
5 take office on the 3rd Tuesday in April of that year. The county executive shall be  
6 elected from residents of the county at large by a majority vote of all qualified electors  
7 in the county voting in the election. Such petition and election shall follow the  
8 procedure provided in s. 9.20 (1) to (6), except that in case of conflict this subsection  
9 shall control.

10 **SECTION 150mj.** 59.18 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 59.18 (1) APPOINTMENT. ~~Counties having a population of less than 500,000~~ may  
12 by resolution of the board or by petition and referendum create the office of county  
13 administrator. The county administrator shall be appointed by majority vote of the  
14 board. Such petition and election shall follow the procedure provided in s. 9.20 (1)  
15 to (6). If any member of the board is appointed as county administrator, his or her  
16 status as a member of the board is thereby terminated, except that in the case of a  
17 vacancy in the office of county administrator by reason of removal, resignation, or  
18 other cause, the board may appoint any member of the board as acting county  
19 administrator to serve for a period of 15 days while the board is considering the  
20 selection of a county administrator.”.

21 **2.** Page 368, line 8: after that line insert:

22 “(4q) REFERENDUM ON OFFICE OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE IN POPULOUS COUNTIES.  
23 Notwithstanding section 59.17 (1) of the statutes, as affected by this act, no  
24 referendum for the purpose of abolishing the office of county executive in counties

1 with a population of at least 500,000 may be held after November 30, 2003, or before  
2 April 7, 2004.”.

3 (END)