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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,  
TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,  
TO 2001 SENATE BILL 55

June 29, 2001 – Offered by Representatives VRAKAS and JENSEN.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

2 \*b1519/2.1\* 1. Page 1, line 3: before that line insert:

3 \*b1519/2.1\* "SECTION 1bg. 1.026 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 1.026 (1) (b) It is the policy of the legislature that the Apostle Islands be  
5 managed in a manner that will preserve their unique primitive and wilderness  
6 character. The department of ~~natural resources~~ fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry is  
7 directed before taking any action or making a decision concerning the Apostle  
8 Islands to make a finding that such an action or decision will ensure that the citizens  
9 of this state will be assured the opportunity for wilderness, inspirational primitive  
10 and scenic experiences in the Apostle Islands into perpetuity.

11 \*b1519/2.1\* SECTION 1bh. 1.026 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           1.026 (3) LANDS TO BE CONVEYED. Notwithstanding any other law to the  
2 contrary, the department of ~~natural resources~~ fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, with  
3 the approval of the governor, is directed to donate and convey, upon request of the  
4 United States for purposes of the development of the lakeshore, all state-owned  
5 lands within the lakeshore boundary, as hereafter described: The state-owned lands  
6 on Basswood, Oak, Michigan and Stockton Islands in township 50 north, range 3  
7 west; township 51 north, range 1 west; township 51 north, range 3 west, township  
8 52 north, range 3 west, all in the town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin. Each  
9 conveyance shall contain a provision that such lands shall revert to the state when  
10 they are no longer used for national lakeshore purposes as defined by section 7 of the  
11 Apostle Islands national lakeshore act of 1970 (P.L. 91-424; 84 stat. 880), except that  
12 such reversion does not apply to lands upon which capital improvements have been  
13 placed by the United States.

14           **\*b1519/2.1\* SECTION 1bj.** 1.035 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

15           1.035 (1) The state of Wisconsin consents that the government of the United  
16 States may acquire in this state, in any manner, such areas of land, or of land and  
17 water, as the United States deems necessary for the establishment of the “Upper  
18 Mississippi River Wildlife and Fish Refuge,” in accordance with the act of congress  
19 approved June 7, 1924; provided, that the states of Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota  
20 grant a like consent, and all rights respectively reserved by said states, in addition  
21 to the reservation herein made, are hereby reserved to this state; and provided,  
22 further, that any acquisition by the government of the United States of land, or of  
23 land and water, shall first be approved by the governor, on the advice of the  
24 department of ~~natural resources~~ fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry.

25           **\*b1519/2.1\* SECTION 1bL.** 1.055 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           1.055 (1) Consent of this state is given to the acquisition by the United States  
2 by purchase, gift, lease or condemnation, with adequate compensation therefor, of  
3 such areas of land not exceeding 2,000,000 acres as the United States deems  
4 necessary for the establishment of national forests in the state, in accordance with  
5 the act of congress approved June 7, 1924, and the board of commissioners of public  
6 lands are authorized to sell and convey for a fair consideration to the United States  
7 any state lands included within such areas; provided, that this state shall retain  
8 concurrent jurisdiction with the United States in and over such areas so far that civil  
9 process, in all cases, and such criminal process as may issue under the authority of  
10 this state against any persons charged with the commission of any crime within or  
11 without said areas, may be executed thereon in like manner as if this consent had  
12 not been given. Provided, further, that the boundaries of any areas so selected shall  
13 be first approved by the governor, the board of commissioners of public lands, the  
14 department of ~~natural resources~~ fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, and the county  
15 board of each county in which any such area is located.

16           **\*b1519/2.1\* SECTION 1bn.** 1.056 of the statutes is amended to read:

17           **1.056 State conservation areas.** Consent of this state is given to the United  
18 States to acquire by purchase, gift, lease or condemnation, with adequate  
19 compensation therefor, areas of land and water within boundaries approved by the  
20 governor and the county board of the county in which the land is located, for the  
21 establishment of state forests, state parks or other state conservation areas to be  
22 administered by the state under long-term leases, treaties or cooperative  
23 agreements, which the department of ~~natural resources~~ fish, wildlife, parks, and  
24 forestry is hereby authorized to enter into on behalf of the state with the federal  
25 government.”.

1           **\*b1519/2.2\* 2.** Page 2, line 24: after that line insert:

2           **\*b1519/2.2\*** “SECTION 1L. 1.11 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

3           1.11 (2) (d) Prior to making any detailed statement, the responsible official  
4 shall consult with and obtain the comments of any agency ~~which~~ that has jurisdiction  
5 or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved. Copies of  
6 such statement and the comments and views of the appropriate agencies, which are  
7 authorized to develop and enforce environmental standards, shall be made available  
8 to the governor, to the department of natural resources environmental management,  
9 and to the public. Every proposal other than for legislation shall receive a public  
10 hearing before a final decision is made. Holding a public hearing as required by  
11 another statute fulfills this section. If no public hearing is otherwise required, the  
12 responsible agency shall hold the hearing in the area affected. Notice of the hearing  
13 shall be given by publishing a class 1 notice, under ch. 985, at least 15 days prior to  
14 the hearing in a newspaper covering the affected area. If the proposal has statewide  
15 significance, notice shall be published in the official state newspaper;”.

16           **\*b1544/2.1\* 3.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

17           **\*b1544/2.1\*** “SECTION 29n. 6.10 (7m) of the statutes is created to read:

18           6.10 (7m) (a) The residence of a person who is detained, or committed and  
19 institutionalized, under s. 51.20, 971.14, or 971.17 or ch. 980 shall be determined by  
20 applying the standards under sub. (1) to whichever of the following dates is  
21 applicable to the circumstances of the person:

22           1. For a person detained or committed under s. 51.20, the date that the person  
23 was detained under s. 51.20 (2) or, if the person was not detained under s. 51.20 (2),  
24 the date that the person was committed under s. 51.20 (13).

1           2. For a person committed under s. 971.14 or 971.17, the date of the offense or  
2 alleged offense that resulted in the person's commitment.

3           3. For a person detained or committed under ch. 980, the date that the person  
4 committed the sexually violent offense that resulted in the sentence, placement, or  
5 commitment that was in effect when the state filed a petition under s. 980.02 against  
6 the person.

7           (b) That the person's habitation was fixed at the place established under par.  
8 (a) before he or she was detained or committed shall be considered prima facie  
9 evidence that the person intends to return to that place. The prima facie evidence  
10 of intent to return to the place determined under par. (a) may be rebutted by  
11 presenting information that indicates that the person is not likely to return to that  
12 place if the person's detention or commitment is terminated.”.

13           **\*b1562/2.1\* 4.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

14           **\*b1562/2.1\*** “SECTION 9d. 5.40 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

15           5.40 (6) A municipality which utilizes voting machines or an electronic voting  
16 system at a polling place may permit use of the machines or system by electors voting  
17 under s. 6.15 only as authorized under s. 6.15 (3) (b).

18           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 10d.** 6.15 (2) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

19           6.15 (2) (title) ~~APPLICATION FOR BALLOT~~ PROCEDURE AT CLERK'S OFFICE.

20           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 11d.** 6.15 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to  
21 read:

22           6.15 (2) (a) (intro.) The elector's request for the application form may be made  
23 to the proper municipal clerk either in person or in writing ~~any time during the~~  
24 ~~10-day period in which the elector's residence requirement is incomplete, but not~~

1 ~~later than the applicable deadline for making application for an absentee ballot,~~  
2 Except as provided in par. (e), application may be made not sooner than 9 days nor  
3 later than 5 p.m. on the day before the election, or may be made at the proper polling  
4 place ~~in~~ for the ward or election district in which the elector resides. The application  
5 form shall be returned to the municipal clerk after the affidavit has been signed in  
6 the presence of the clerk or any officer authorized by law to administer oaths. The  
7 affidavit shall be in substantially the following form:

8       **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 12d.** 6.15 (2) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

9       6.15 (2) (bm) When making application in person at the office of the municipal  
10 clerk, each applicant shall present a valid operator's license issued to the person  
11 under ch. 343 that contains a photograph of the license holder or present a valid  
12 identification card issued to the person under s. 343.50.

13       **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 13d.** 6.15 (2) (d) 1g. of the statutes is created to read:

14       6.15 (2) (d) 1g. If the elector makes application in person at the office of the  
15 municipal clerk, the clerk shall verify that the name on the identification provided  
16 by the elector under par. (bm) is the same as the name on the elector's application  
17 and shall verify that the photograph contained in the identification reasonably  
18 resembles the elector.

19       **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 14d.** 6.15 (2) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

20       6.15 (2) (e) If the elector makes application in writing but does not appear in  
21 person, and the clerk receives a properly completed application and cancellation card  
22 from the elector, the clerk shall provide the elector with a ballot. If the ballot is to be  
23 mailed, the application must be received no later than 5 p.m. on the Friday before  
24 the election. In order to be counted, the ballot must be received by the municipal  
25 clerk no later than 5 p.m. on the day before the election.

1           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 15d.** 6.15 (3) (a) (title) of the statutes is repealed.

2           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 16d.** 6.15 (3) (a) 1., 2. and 3. of the statutes are  
3           renumbered 6.15 (2) (d) 1r., 2. and 3., and 6.15 (2) (d) 1r., as renumbered, is amended  
4           to read:

5           6.15 (2) (d) 1r. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card,  
6           and compliance with subd. 1g., the municipal clerk shall inform the elector that he  
7           or she may vote for the presidential electors not sooner than 9 days nor later than  
8           5 p.m. on the day before the election at the office of the municipal clerk, or at a  
9           specified polling place on election day. When voting at the municipal clerk's office,  
10          the applicant shall provide identification and permit the elector to cast his or her  
11          ballot for president and vice president. The elector shall then mark or punch the  
12          ballot in the clerk's presence in a manner that will not disclose his or her vote. Unless  
13          the ballot is utilized with an electronic voting system, the applicant elector shall fold  
14          the ballot so as to conceal his or her vote. The applicant elector shall then deposit  
15          the ballot and seal it in an envelope furnished by the clerk.

16          **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 17d.** 6.15 (3) (b) (title) of the statutes is repealed.

17          **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 18d.** 6.15 (3) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 6.15 (3)  
18          and amended to read:

19          6.15 (3) ~~VOTING PROCEDURE~~ PROCEDURE AT POLLING PLACE. An eligible elector  
20          may appear at the polling place for the ward or election district where he or she  
21          resides and make application for a ballot under sub. (2). ~~In such case, the inspector~~  
22          ~~or special registration deputy~~ Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an  
23          elector who casts a ballot under this subsection shall follow the same procedure  
24          required for casting a ballot at the municipal clerk's office under sub. (2). The  
25          inspectors shall perform the duties of the municipal clerk. ~~The elector shall provide~~

1 ~~identification. If the elector is qualified, he or she shall be permitted to vote, except~~  
2 ~~that the inspectors shall return the cancellation card under sub. (2) (b) to the~~  
3 ~~municipal clerk and the clerk shall forward the card as provided under sub. (2) (c)~~  
4 ~~if required. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card and~~  
5 ~~compliance with sub. (2) (d) 1g., the inspectors shall permit the elector to cast his or~~  
6 ~~her ballot for president and vice president. The elector shall then mark or punch the~~  
7 ballot and, unless the ballot is utilized with an electronic voting system, the elector  
8 shall fold the ballot, and shall deposit the ballot into the ballot box or give it to the  
9 inspector. The inspector shall deposit it directly into the ballot box. Voting machines  
10 or ballots utilized with electronic voting systems may be used by electors voting  
11 under this section if they permit voting for president and vice president only.

12 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 19f.** 6.22 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 6.22 (4) INSTRUCTIONS AND HANDLING. An individual who qualifies as a military  
14 elector may request an absentee ballot for any election, or for all elections until the  
15 individual otherwise requests or until the individual no longer qualifies as a military  
16 elector. A military elector need not provide the identification required under s. 6.86  
17 (1) (ar) 2. A military elector's application may be received at any time. The municipal  
18 clerk shall not send a ballot for an election if the application is received later than  
19 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding that election. The municipal clerk shall send a ballot,  
20 as soon as available, to each military elector who requests a ballot. The board shall  
21 prescribe the instructions for marking or punching and returning ballots and the  
22 municipal clerk shall enclose instructions with each ballot and shall also enclose  
23 supplemental instructions for local elections. The envelope, return envelope and  
24 instructions may not contain the name of any candidate appearing on the enclosed  
25 ballots other than that of the municipal clerk affixed in the fulfillment of his or her



1 duties. Whenever the material is mailed, the material shall be prepared and mailed  
2 to make use of the federal free postage laws. The mailing list established under this  
3 subsection shall be kept current in the same manner as provided in s. 6.86 (2) (b).

4 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 19j. 6.24 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.24 (4) (a) An overseas elector who is properly registered where registration  
6 is required may request an absentee ballot in writing under ss. 6.86 to 6.89. An  
7 overseas elector need not provide the identification required under s. 6.86 (1) (ar) 2.

8 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 29d. 6.29 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 6.29 (1) No names may be added to a registration list for any election after the  
10 close of registration, except as authorized under this section or s. 6.28 (1) or 6.55 (2).  
11 Any person whose name is not on the registration list but who is otherwise a qualified  
12 elector is entitled to vote at the election upon compliance with this section, if the  
13 person complies with all other requirements for voting at the polling place.

14 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 51d. 6.55 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 6.55 (2) (b) Upon executing the registration form under par. (a), the person  
16 shall be required by a special registration deputy or inspector to present a valid  
17 operator's license issued to the person under ch. 343 that contains the photograph  
18 of the license holder or a valid identification card issued to the person under s. 343.50.  
19 If the identification presented is not acceptable proof of residence under sub. (7), the  
20 person shall also present acceptable proof of residence under sub. (7). If the person  
21 cannot supply such proof, the registration form shall be substantiated and signed by  
22 one other elector who resides in the same municipality as the registering elector,  
23 corroborating all the material statements therein. The corroborator shall then  
24 provide acceptable proof of residence. The signing by the elector executing the  
25 registration form and by any elector who corroborates the information in the form

1 under par. (a) shall be in the presence of the special registration deputy or inspector.  
2 Upon compliance with this procedure and all other requirements for voting at the  
3 polling place, such person shall then be given the right to vote.

4 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 52d. 6.55 (2) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.55 (2) (c) 1. As an alternative to registration at the polling place under pars.  
6 (a) and (b), the board of election commissioners, or the governing body of any  
7 municipality in which registration is required may by resolution require a person  
8 who qualifies as an elector and who is not registered and desires to register on the  
9 day of an election to do so at another readily accessible location in the same building  
10 as the polling place serving the elector's residence or at an alternate polling place  
11 assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b), instead of at the polling place serving the elector's  
12 residence. In such case, the municipal clerk shall prominently post a notice of the  
13 registration location at the polling place. The municipal clerk, deputy clerk, or  
14 special registration deputy at the registration location shall require such person to  
15 execute a registration form as prescribed under par. (a) and to present a valid  
16 operator's license issued to the person under ch. 343 that contains the photograph  
17 of the license holder or a valid identification card issued to the person under s. 343.50.  
18 If the identification presented is not acceptable proof of residence under sub. (7), the  
19 person shall also provide acceptable proof of residence as ~~provided~~ under sub. (7).  
20 ~~If the person cannot supply such proof, the registration form shall be corroborated~~  
21 ~~in the manner provided in par. (b).~~ The signing by the elector executing the  
22 registration form ~~and by any corroborating elector~~ as prescribed under par. (a) shall  
23 be in the presence of the municipal clerk, deputy clerk, or special registration deputy.  
24 Upon proper completion of registration, the municipal clerk, deputy clerk, or special  
25 registration deputy shall serially number the registration and give one copy to the

1 elector for presentation at the polling place serving the elector's residence or an  
2 alternate polling place assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b).

3 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 53d.** 6.55 (2) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.55 (2) (c) 2. Upon compliance with the procedures under subd. 1., the  
5 municipal clerk or deputy clerk shall issue a certificate addressed to the inspectors  
6 of the proper polling place directing that the elector be permitted to cast his or her  
7 vote. ~~If the elector's registration is corroborated, the clerk shall enter the name and~~  
8 ~~address of the corroborator on the face of the certificate~~ if the elector complies with  
9 all requirements for voting at the polling place. The certificate shall be numbered  
10 serially and prepared in duplicate. The municipal clerk shall preserve one copy in his  
11 or her office.

12 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 54d.** 6.55 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 6.55 (2) (d) A registered elector who has changed his or her name but resides  
14 at the same address, and has not notified the municipal clerk under s. 6.40 (1) (c),  
15 shall notify the inspector of the change before voting. The inspector shall then notify  
16 the municipal clerk at the time which materials are returned under s. 6.56 (1). If an  
17 elector ~~changes~~ has changed both a name and address, the elector shall ~~complete a~~  
18 ~~registration form~~ register at the polling place or other registration location under  
19 pars. (a) and (b).

20 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 55d.** 6.55 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 6.55 (3) Any qualified elector in the ward or election district where the elector  
22 desires to vote whose name does not appear on the registration list where  
23 registration is required but who claims to be registered to vote in the election may  
24 request permission to vote at the polling place for that ward or election district.  
25 When the request is made, the inspector shall require the person to give his or her

1 name and address. If the elector is not at the polling place which serves the ward or  
2 election district where the elector resides, the inspector shall provide the elector with  
3 directions to the correct polling place. If the elector is at the correct polling place, the  
4 elector shall then execute the following written statement: "I, ..., hereby certify that  
5 to the best of my knowledge, I am a qualified elector, having resided at .... for at least  
6 10 days immediately preceding this election, and that I am not disqualified on any  
7 ground from voting, and I have not voted at this election and am properly registered  
8 to vote in this election." The person shall be required to provide present a valid  
9 operator's license issued to the person under ch. 343 that contains a photograph of  
10 the license holder or present a valid identification card issued to the person under  
11 s. 343.50. If any identification presented by the person is not acceptable proof of  
12 residence as provided under sub. (7), the person shall also present acceptable proof  
13 of residence as provided under sub. (7) and shall then be given the right to vote. If  
14 acceptable proof is presented, the elector need not have the information corroborated  
15 by any other elector. If acceptable proof is not presented, the statement shall be  
16 certified by the elector and shall be corroborated by another elector who resides in  
17 the municipality. The corroborator shall then provide acceptable proof of residence  
18 as provided in sub. (7). Whenever the question of identity or residence cannot be  
19 satisfactorily resolved and the elector cannot be permitted to vote, an inspector shall  
20 telephone the office of the municipal clerk to reconcile the records at the polling place  
21 with those at the office.

22 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 56d. 6.55 (7) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

23 6.55 (7) (c) 1. ~~A Wisconsin motor vehicle~~ An operator's license issued under ch.  
24 343.

25 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 57d. 6.55 (7) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

1           6.55 (7) (c) 2. ~~A Wisconsin~~ An identification card issued under s. ~~125.08, 1987~~  
2 ~~stats. s. 343.50.~~

3           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 57f.** 6.56 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

4           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 59d.** 6.79 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

5           6.79 (1) MUNICIPALITIES WITHOUT REGISTRATION. Except as provided in sub. (6)  
6 (a), where there is no registration, before being permitted to vote, each person shall  
7 state his or her full name and address and present to the officials a valid operator's  
8 license issued to the person under ch. 343 that contains a photograph of the license  
9 holder or present a valid identification card issued to the person under s. 343.50. The  
10 officials shall enter each name and address on a poll list in the same order as the votes  
11 are cast. If the residence of the elector does not have a number, the election officials  
12 shall, in the appropriate space, enter "none". Alternatively, the municipal clerk may  
13 maintain a poll list consisting of the full name and address of electors compiled from  
14 previous elections. Whenever an elector appears to vote, the officials shall verify the  
15 correctness of the elector's name and address, and shall enter a serial number next  
16 to the name of the elector in the order that the votes are cast, beginning with the  
17 number one. If the name and address of an elector do not appear on the prepared poll  
18 list, the officials shall enter the name, address and serial number of the elector at the  
19 bottom of the list. Except as provided in sub. (6), before being permitted to vote, each  
20 elector shall present to the officials a valid operator's license issued to the elector  
21 under ch. 343 that contains a photograph of the license holder or present a valid  
22 identification card issued to the elector under s. 343.50. The officials may require any  
23 elector to provide identification, including acceptable proof of residence, ~~or to have~~  
24 ~~another elector corroborate his or her information in accordance with the procedure~~  
25 ~~specified in s. 6.55 (2) (b) under s. 6.55 (7) before permitting the elector to vote. An~~

1 ~~elector who presents an identification card under sub. (6) (a) is not required to~~  
2 ~~provide separate identification.~~ The officials shall maintain a separate list of those  
3 persons voting under ss. 6.15 and 6.24.

4 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 60d.** 6.79 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.79 (2) MUNICIPALITIES WITH REGISTRATION. Except as provided in sub. (6) (b),  
6 where there is registration, each person, before receiving a voting number, shall state  
7 his or her full name and address and present to the officials a valid operator's license  
8 issued to the person under ch. 343 that contains a photograph of the license holder  
9 or present a valid identification card issued to the person under s. 343.50. Upon the  
10 prepared registration list, after the name of each elector, the officials shall enter the  
11 serial number of the vote as it is polled, beginning with number one. Each elector  
12 shall receive a slip bearing the same serial number. A separate list shall be  
13 maintained for electors who are voting under s. 6.15, 6.29 or 6.55 (2) or (3) and  
14 electors who are reassigned from another polling place under s. 5.25 (5) (b). Each  
15 such elector shall have his or her full name, address and serial number likewise  
16 entered and shall be given a slip bearing such number.

17 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 61d.** 6.79 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 6.79 (3) REFUSAL TO GIVE NAME AND ADDRESS AND FAILURE TO PRESENT  
19 IDENTIFICATION. Except as provided in sub. (6), if any elector offering to vote at any  
20 polling place refuses to give his or her name and address or is unable to present  
21 identification authorized under sub. (1) or (2), the elector may not be permitted to  
22 vote.

23 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 62d.** 6.79 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 6.79 (4) SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION. ~~When any elector provides identification~~  
25 ~~under sub. (1) or s. 6.15, 6.29 or 6.55 (2) or (3), the election officials shall enter the~~

1 type of identification on the poll or registration list, or supplemental list maintained  
2 under sub. (2). If the form of identification includes a number which applies only to  
3 the individual holding that piece of identification, the election officials shall also  
4 enter that number on the list. When any elector corroborates the registration  
5 identity or residence of any person offering to vote under sub. (1) or s. 6.55 (2) (b) or  
6 (e) or (3) the name and address of the corroborator shall also be entered next to the  
7 name of the elector whose information is being corroborated on the registration or  
8 poll list, or the separate list maintained under sub. (2). When any person offering  
9 to vote has been challenged and taken the oath, following the person's name on the  
10 registration or poll list, the officials shall enter the word "Sworn".

11 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 64d. 6.79 (6) (title) of the statutes is repealed and  
12 recreated to read:

13 6.79 (6) (title) EXCEPTIONS REGARDING IDENTIFICATION.

14 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 65f. 6.79 (6) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 6.79 (6) (a) In municipalities where there is no registration, an elector who has  
16 a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2) may present an identification card issued  
17 under s. 6.47 (3) in lieu of providing his or her name and address and presenting  
18 identification under sub. (1). If the elector resides in the area served by the polling  
19 place, the inspectors shall then enter the elector's name and identification serial  
20 number on the poll list in a section following the other names, shall issue a voting  
21 serial number to the elector and shall record that number on the poll list and permit  
22 the elector to vote.

23 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 66d. 6.79 (6) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

24 6.79 (6) (am) The requirement under sub. (1) or (2) that a person present  
25 identification does not apply to a person who is voting under s. 6.15 or 6.55 (3).

1           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 67d.** 6.79 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           6.79 (6) (b) In municipalities where registration is required, an elector who has  
3 a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2) may present his or her identification card  
4 issued under s. 6.47 (3) or may give his or her name and identification serial number  
5 issued under s. 6.47 (3), in lieu of stating his or her name and address and presenting  
6 identification under sub. (2). If the elector's name and identification serial number  
7 appear on the confidential portion of the list, the inspectors shall issue a voting serial  
8 number to the elector, record that number on the registration list and permit the  
9 elector to vote.

10           **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 68d.** 6.82 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

11           6.82 (1) (a) When any inspectors are informed that an elector is at the entrance  
12 to the polling place who as a result of disability is unable to enter the polling place,  
13 they shall permit the elector to be assisted in marking or punching a ballot by any  
14 individual selected by the elector, except the elector's employer or an agent of that  
15 employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.  
16 The individual selected by the elector shall provide all information necessary for the  
17 elector to obtain a ballot under s. 6.79 (1) or (2). The inspectors shall then issue a  
18 ballot to the individual selected by the elector and shall accompany the individual  
19 to the polling place entrance where the assistance is to be given. If the ballot is a  
20 paper ballot, the assisting individual shall fold the ballot after the ballot is marked  
21 or punched by the assisting individual. The assisting individual shall then  
22 immediately take the ballot into the polling place and give the ballot to an inspector.  
23 The inspector shall distinctly announce that he or she has "a ballot offered by ....  
24 (stating person's name), an elector who, as a result of disability, is unable to enter the  
25 polling place without assistance". The inspector shall then ask, "Does anyone object



1 to the reception of this ballot?” If no objection is made, the inspectors shall record  
2 the elector’s name under s. 6.79 and deposit the ballot in the ballot box, and shall  
3 make a notation on the registration or poll list: “Ballot received at poll entrance”.

4 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 68dg.** 6.86 (1) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.86 (1) (a) 3. By signing a statement and providing the required identification  
6 under sub. (2) (a).

7 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 68f.** 6.86 (1) (a) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

8 6.86 (1) (a) 5. By delivering an application and providing the required  
9 identification to a special voting deputy under s. 6.875 (6).

10 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 68h.** 6.86 (1) (ar) of the statutes is renumbered 6.86 (1)  
11 (ar) 1. and amended to read:

12 6.86 (1) (ar) 1. Except as authorized in s. 6.22 (4), 6.24 (4) (a), or 6.875 (6), the  
13 municipal clerk ~~shall not~~ may issue an absentee ballot ~~unless the~~ only to a qualified  
14 elector who provides the identification required under subd. 2. and gives the clerk  
15 receives a written absentee ballot application therefor from a qualified elector of the  
16 municipality.

17 3. The clerk shall retain each absentee ballot application received under this  
18 section until destruction is authorized under s. 7.23 (1).

19 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 68j.** 6.86 (1) (ar) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

20 6.86 (1) (ar) 2. An elector who applies in person at the office of the municipal  
21 clerk shall present a valid operator’s license issued to the elector under ch. 343 that  
22 contains a photograph of the license holder or a valid identification card issued to the  
23 elector under s. 343.50. Except as provided in s. 6.22 (4), 6.24 (4) (a), and 6.875 (6),  
24 an elector who applies but does not appear in person at the office of the municipal

1 clerk shall provide a photocopy of the license or identification card that would satisfy  
2 this subdivision if the elector were applying in person.

3 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 68L.** 6.86 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.86 (2) (a) An elector who is indefinitely confined because of age, physical  
5 illness or infirmity or is disabled for an indefinite period may by signing a statement  
6 to that effect require that an absentee ballot be sent to the elector automatically for  
7 every election. The application form and instructions shall be prescribed by the  
8 board, and ~~furnished, in addition to other information required by the board, shall~~  
9 require the elector to provide the identification required under sub. (1) (ar) 2. The  
10 municipal clerk shall furnish the application form and instructions upon request to  
11 any elector by each municipality. The envelope containing the absentee ballot shall  
12 be clearly marked as not forwardable. If any elector is no longer indefinitely  
13 confined, the elector shall so notify the municipal clerk.

14 **\*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 69d.** 6.86 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 6.86 (3) (a) Any elector who is registered, or otherwise qualified where  
16 registration is not required, and who is hospitalized, may apply for and obtain an  
17 official ballot by agent. The agent may apply for and obtain a ballot for the  
18 hospitalized absent elector by presenting ~~a form prescribed by the board and an~~  
19 application containing the required information supplied by the hospitalized elector  
20 and signed by that elector and any other elector residing in the same municipality  
21 as the hospitalized elector, corroborating the information contained therein. The  
22 ~~corroborating elector shall state on the form~~ application form and instructions shall  
23 be prescribed by the board and, in addition to other information required by the  
24 board, shall require the elector to provide the identification required under sub. (1)

1 (ar) 2. The application form and instructions shall require the corroborating elector  
2 to provide his or her full name and address.

3 \*b1562/2.1\* SECTION 69g. 6.875 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.875 (6) Special voting deputies in each municipality shall, not later than 5  
5 p.m. on the Friday preceding an election, arrange one or more convenient times with  
6 the administrator of each nursing home or qualified retirement home and qualified  
7 community-based residential facility in the municipality from which one or more  
8 occupants have filed an application under s. 6.86 to conduct absentee voting for the  
9 election. The time may be no earlier than the 4th Monday preceding the election and  
10 no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding the election. Upon request of a relative  
11 of an occupant of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified  
12 community-based residential facility, the administrator may notify the relative of  
13 the time or times at which special voting deputies will conduct absentee voting at the  
14 home or facility, and permit the relative to be present in the room where the voting  
15 is conducted. At the designated time, 2 deputies appointed under sub. (4) shall visit  
16 the nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified community-based  
17 residential facility. The municipal clerk or executive director of the board of election  
18 commissioners shall issue a supply of absentee ballots to the deputies sufficient to  
19 provide for the number of valid applications received by the clerk, and a reasonable  
20 additional number of ballots. The municipal clerk or executive director shall keep  
21 a careful record of all ballots issued to the deputies and shall require the deputies to  
22 return every ballot issued to them. The deputies shall personally offer each elector  
23 who has filed a proper application the opportunity to cast his or her absentee ballot.  
24 If an elector is present who has not filed a proper application, the 2 deputies may  
25 accept an application from the elector and shall issue a ballot to the elector if the

1 elector is qualified ~~and~~, the application is proper, and the elector presents a valid  
2 operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343 that contains a photograph of  
3 the license holder or presents a valid identification card issued to the elector under  
4 s. 343.50. The deputies shall administer the oath and may, upon request of the  
5 elector, assist the elector in marking or punching the elector's ballot. Upon request  
6 of the elector, a relative of the elector who is present in the room may assist the elector  
7 in marking or punching the elector's ballot. All voting shall be conducted in the  
8 presence of the deputies. No individual other than a deputy may administer the oath  
9 and no individual other than a deputy or relative of an elector may render voting  
10 assistance to the elector. Upon completion of the voting, the deputies shall promptly  
11 deliver, either personally or by 1st class mail, any absentee ballot applications and  
12 the sealed certificate envelope containing each ballot to the clerk or board of election  
13 commissioners of the municipality in which the elector casting the ballot resides,  
14 within such time as will permit delivery to the polling place serving the elector's  
15 residence on election day. Personal delivery may be made by the deputies no later  
16 than noon on election day. If a qualified elector is not able to cast his or her ballot  
17 on 2 separate visits by the deputies to the nursing home or qualified retirement  
18 home, they shall so inform the municipal clerk or executive director of the board of  
19 election commissioners, who may then send the ballot to the elector no later than 5  
20 p.m. on the Friday preceding the election.

21 \*b1563/1.1\* **5.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

22 \*b1563/1.1\* **"SECTION 57f.** 6.78 (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 6.78 (1m)  
23 and amended to read:

24 6.78 (1m) The polls at ~~any every~~ election shall be open: from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.

1           **\*b1563/1.1\* SECTION 57h.** 6.78 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

2           **\*b1563/1.1\* SECTION 57j.** 6.78 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

3           **\*b1563/1.1\* SECTION 57L.** 6.78 (3) of the statutes is repealed.”.

4           **\*b1565/1.1\* 6.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

5           **\*b1565/1.1\* “SECTION 4.** 5.02 (17) of the statutes is amended to read:

6           5.02 (17) “Registration list” means the list of electors who are properly  
7 registered to vote in municipalities in which registration is required.

8           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 19.** 6.20 of the statutes is amended to read:

9           **6.20 Absent electors.** Any qualified elector of this state who registers where  
10 required may vote by absentee ballot under ss. 6.84 to 6.89.

11           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 20.** 6.24 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

12           6.24 (3) REGISTRATION. ~~If registration is required in the municipality where the~~  
13 The overseas elector resided or where the overseas elector’s parent resided, the  
14 elector shall register in the municipality where he or she was last domiciled or where  
15 the overseas elector’s parent was last domiciled on a form prescribed by the board  
16 designed to ascertain the elector’s qualifications under this section. The form shall  
17 be substantially similar to the original form under s. 6.33 (1), insofar as applicable.  
18 Registration shall be accomplished in accordance with s. 6.30 (4).

19           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 21.** 6.24 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

20           6.24 (4) (a) An overseas elector who is properly registered ~~where registration~~  
21 ~~is required~~ may request an absentee ballot in writing under ss. 6.86 to 6.89.

22           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 22.** 6.24 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

23           6.24 (4) (c) Upon receipt of a timely application from an individual who  
24 qualifies as an overseas elector and who has registered to vote in a municipality

1 under sub. (3) ~~whenever registration is required in that municipality, the municipal~~  
2 clerk of the municipality shall send an absentee ballot to the individual for all  
3 subsequent elections for national office to be held during the year in which the ballot  
4 is requested, unless the individual otherwise requests or until the individual no  
5 longer qualifies as an overseas elector.

6 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 23.** 6.24 (8) of the statutes is repealed.

7 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 24.** 6.27 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 6.27 and  
8 amended to read:

9 **6.27 ~~Where elector~~ Elector registration required. ~~Every municipality~~  
10 ~~over 5,000 population shall keep a registration list consisting of all currently~~  
11 ~~registered electors. Where used, registration applies to~~ Registration is required in  
12 every municipality for all elections.**

13 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 25.** 6.27 (2) to (5) of the statutes are repealed.

14 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 27.** 6.28 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 6.28 (2) (b) The municipal clerk of each municipality ~~in which elector~~  
16 ~~registration is required~~ shall notify the school board of each school district in which  
17 the municipality is located that high schools shall be used for registration pursuant  
18 to par. (a). The school board and the municipal clerk shall agree upon the  
19 appointment of at least one qualified elector at each high school as a special school  
20 registration deputy. The municipal clerk shall appoint such person as a school  
21 registration deputy and explain the person's duties and responsibilities. Students  
22 and staff may register at the high school on any day that classes are regularly held.  
23 The school registration deputies shall promptly forward properly completed  
24 registration forms to the municipal clerk of the municipality in which the registering  
25 student or staff member resides. The municipal clerk, upon receiving such

1 registration forms, shall add all those registering electors who have met the  
2 registration requirements to the registration list. The municipal clerk may reject  
3 any registration form and shall promptly notify the person whose registration is  
4 rejected of the rejection and the reason therefor. A person whose registration is  
5 rejected may reapply for registration if he or she is qualified. The form of each high  
6 school student who is qualified and will be eligible to vote at the next election shall  
7 be filed in such a way that when a student attains the age of 18 years the student is  
8 registered to vote automatically. Each school board shall assure that the principal  
9 of every high school communicates elector registration information to students.

10 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 28. 6.28 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 6.28 (3) AT OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS. Any person ~~who resides in a~~  
12 ~~municipality requiring registration of electors~~ shall be given an opportunity to  
13 register to vote at the office of the register of deeds for the county in which the  
14 person's residence is located. An applicant may fill out the required registration form  
15 under s. 6.33. Upon receipt of a completed form, the register of deeds shall forward  
16 the form within 5 days to the appropriate municipal clerk, or to the board of election  
17 commissioners in cities over 500,000 population. The register of deeds shall forward  
18 the form immediately whenever registration closes within 5 days of receipt.

19 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 30d. 6.29 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 6.29 (2) (a) Any qualified elector of a municipality ~~where registration is~~  
21 ~~required~~ who has not previously filed a registration form or whose name does not  
22 appear on the registration list of the municipality shall be entitled to vote at the  
23 election if he or she delivers to the municipal clerk, or the county clerk if designated  
24 under s. 6.33 (5) (b), a registration form executed by the elector. The form shall  
25 contain a certification by the elector that all statements are true and correct.

1 Alternatively, if the elector cannot obtain a registration form, the elector may deliver  
2 a statement, signed by the elector, containing all of the information required on the  
3 registration form. The elector shall present acceptable proof of residence as provided  
4 in s. 6.55 (7). If no proof is presented, the registration form or the listing of required  
5 information shall be substantiated by one other elector of the municipality,  
6 corroborating all the material statements therein. The corroborating elector shall  
7 then provide acceptable proof of residence under s. 6.55 (7). The signing of the form  
8 by the registering elector and statement by the corroborating elector shall be done  
9 in the presence of the municipal clerk or deputy clerk, or the county clerk if  
10 designated under s. 6.33 (5) (b), not later than 5 p.m. of the day before an election.

11 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 31d. 6.29 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 6.29 (2) (b) ~~Upon~~ Unless the municipal clerk determines that the registration  
13 list will be revised to incorporate the registration in time for the election, upon the  
14 filing of the registration form required by this section, the municipal clerk, or the  
15 county clerk if designated under s. 6.33 (5) (b), shall issue a certificate addressed to  
16 the inspectors of the proper ward or election district directing that the elector be  
17 permitted to cast his or her vote, ~~unless the clerk determines that the registration~~  
18 ~~list will be revised to incorporate the registration in time for the election.~~ The  
19 certificate shall be numbered serially, prepared in duplicate and one copy preserved  
20 in the office of the municipal clerk.

21 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 35. 6.33 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

22 6.33 (5) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), whenever a municipal clerk receives  
23 a valid registration or valid change of a name or address under an existing  
24 registration and whenever a municipal clerk cancels a registration, the municipal  
25 clerk shall promptly enter electronically on the list maintained by the board under



1 s. 6.36 (1) the information required under that subsection, except that the municipal  
2 clerk may update any entries that change on the date of an election in the  
3 municipality within 10 days after that date, and the municipal clerk shall provide  
4 to the board information that is confidential under s. 6.47 (2) in such manner as the  
5 board prescribes.

6 (b) The town clerk of any town having a population of not more than 5,000 may  
7 designate the county clerk of the county where the town is located as the town clerk's  
8 agent to carry out the functions of the town clerk under this subsection for that town.  
9 The town clerk shall notify the county clerk of any such designation in writing. The  
10 town clerk may, by similar notice to the county clerk at least 14 days prior to the  
11 effective date of any change, discontinue the designation. If the town clerk  
12 designates a county clerk as his or her agent, the town clerk shall immediately  
13 forward all registration changes filed with the town clerk to the county clerk for  
14 electronic entry on the registration list.

15 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 36. 6.35 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

16 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 37. 6.35 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.35 (3) ~~In municipalities employing data processing for keeping of registration~~  
18 ~~forms, original~~ Original registration forms shall be maintained in the office of the  
19 municipal clerk or board of election commissioners at all times.

20 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 38. 6.35 (5) and (6) of the statutes are repealed.

21 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 39d. 6.36 (1) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to  
22 read:

23 6.36 (1) (a) The board shall compile and maintain electronically an official  
24 registration list. Except as provided in sub. (2) (b), the list shall contain the name

1 and address of each registered elector in this state and such other information as the  
2 board prescribes by rule.

3 (b) Except for the addresses of electors who obtain a confidential listing under  
4 s. 6.47 (2), the list shall be open to public inspection under s. 19.35 (1) and shall be  
5 electronically accessible by any person, but no person other than an election official  
6 who is authorized by a municipal clerk may make a change in the list. The list shall  
7 be electronically accessible by name and shall also be accessible in alphabetical order  
8 of the electors' names for the entire state and for each county, municipality, ward, and  
9 combination of wards authorized under s. 5.15 (6) (b).

10 (c) The list shall be designed in such a way that the municipal clerk or board  
11 of election commissioners of any municipality may, by electronic transmission  
12 utilizing a format prescribed by the board, add, revise, or remove entries on the list  
13 for any elector who resides in, or who the list identifies as residing in, that  
14 municipality and no other municipality.

15 (d) The board may not make any changes in entries to the registration list.

16 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 40d. 6.36 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.36 (2) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), the each registration lists list  
18 prepared for use at a polling place shall contain the full name and address of each  
19 registered elector, a blank column for the entry of the serial number of the electors  
20 when they vote, and a form of a certificate bearing the certification of the executive  
21 director of the board stating that ~~each~~ the list is a true and complete combined check  
22 and registration list of the respective municipality or the ward or wards for which  
23 the list is prepared.

24 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 41. 6.36 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           6.36 (3) ~~Municipalities shall prepare at least 2 copies of the registration list for~~  
2 ~~each ward and bind them in book form.~~ The original registration forms constitute  
3 ~~the official registration list and shall be controlling whenever discrepancies occur in~~  
4 ~~entering information from the forms under s. 6.33 (5).~~

5           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 42.** 6.47 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

6           6.47 (2) Except as authorized in sub. (8), the board and each municipal clerk,  
7 and each county clerk who is designated under s. 6.33 (5) (b) as the agent of a  
8 municipal clerk, shall withhold from public inspection under s. 19.35 (1) the name  
9 and address of any eligible individual whose name appears on a poll list or  
10 registration list if the individual files provides the municipal clerk, or the county  
11 clerk if designated under s. 6.33 (5) (b), with a valid written request with the clerk  
12 to protect the individual's confidentiality. To be valid, a request under this subsection  
13 must be accompanied by a copy of a protective order that is in effect, an affidavit  
14 under sub. (1) (a) 2. that is dated within 30 days of the date of the request or a  
15 statement signed by the operator or an authorized agent of the operator of a shelter  
16 that is dated within 30 days of the date of the request and that indicates that the  
17 operator operates the shelter and that the individual making the request resides in  
18 the shelter. A physically disabled individual who appears personally at the office of  
19 the municipal clerk, or the county clerk if designated under s. 6.33 (5) (b),  
20 accompanied by another elector of this state may designate that elector to make a  
21 request under this subsection on his or her behalf. Any county clerk that receives  
22 a valid written request under this subsection shall promptly forward the request to  
23 the municipal clerk.

24           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 43.** 6.47 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           6.47 (3) Upon ~~listing of~~ receiving a valid written request from an elector under  
2 sub. (2), the municipal clerk, or the county clerk if designated under s. 6.33 (5) (b),  
3 shall issue to the elector a voting identification card on a form prescribed by the board  
4 that shall contain the name of the elector's municipality issuing the card of residence  
5 and in the case of a town, the county in which the town is located, the elector's name,  
6 the ward in which the elector resides, if any, and a unique identification serial  
7 number issued by the board. The number issued to an elector under this subsection  
8 shall not be changed for so long as the elector continues to qualify for a listing under  
9 sub. (2).

10           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 44.** 6.50 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

11           6.50 (1) (intro.) Within 90 days following each general election, the municipal  
12 clerk or board of election commissioners of each municipality ~~in which registration~~  
13 ~~is required~~ shall examine the registration records and identify each elector who has  
14 not voted within the previous 4 years if qualified to do so during that entire period  
15 and shall mail a notice to the elector in substantially the following form:

16           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 45.** 6.50 (2m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

17           6.50 (2m) (a) As an alternative to the procedure prescribed in subs. (1) and (2),  
18 the governing body of a municipality ~~where registration is required~~ may provide for  
19 revision of registration lists under this subsection.

20           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 50d.** 6.55 (2) (a) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to  
21 read:

22           6.55 (2) (a) 1. (intro.) Except where the procedure under par. (c) or (cm) is  
23 employed, any person who qualifies as an elector in the ward or election district  
24 where he or she desires to vote, but has not previously filed a registration form, or  
25 was registered at another location ~~in a municipality where registration is required~~,

1 may request permission to vote at the polling place for that ward or election district,  
2 or at an alternate polling place assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b). When a proper request  
3 is made, the inspector shall require the person to execute a registration form  
4 prescribed by the board that shall contain the following certification:

5 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 52d. 6.55 (2) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.55 (2) (c) 1. As an alternative to registration at the polling place under pars.  
7 (a) and (b), the board of election commissioners, or the governing body of any  
8 municipality ~~in which registration is required~~ may by resolution require a person  
9 who qualifies as an elector and who is not registered and desires to register on the  
10 day of an election to do so at another readily accessible location in the same building  
11 as the polling place serving the elector's residence or at an alternate polling place  
12 assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b), instead of at the polling place serving the elector's  
13 residence. In such case, the municipal clerk shall prominently post a notice of the  
14 registration location at the polling place. The municipal clerk, deputy clerk or special  
15 registration deputy at the registration location shall require such person to execute  
16 a registration form as prescribed under par. (a) and to provide acceptable proof of  
17 residence as provided under sub. (7). If the person cannot supply such ~~proof~~  
18 acceptable proof of residence, the information contained in the registration form  
19 shall be corroborated in the manner provided in par. (b). The signing by the elector  
20 person executing the registration form and by any ~~corroborating elector~~ corroborator  
21 shall be in the presence of the municipal clerk, deputy clerk or special registration  
22 deputy. Upon proper completion of registration, the municipal clerk, deputy clerk  
23 or special registration deputy shall serially number the registration and give one  
24 copy to the elector for presentation at the polling place serving the elector's residence  
25 or an alternate polling place assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b).

1           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 55d.** 6.55 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           6.55 (3) Any qualified elector in the ward or election district where the elector  
3 desires to vote whose name does not appear on the registration list ~~where~~  
4 ~~registration is required~~ but who claims to be registered to vote in the election may  
5 request permission to vote at the polling place for that ward or election district.  
6 When the request is made, the inspector shall require the person to give his or her  
7 name and address. If the elector is not at the polling place which serves the ward or  
8 election district where the elector resides, the inspector shall provide the elector with  
9 directions to the correct polling place. If the elector is at the correct polling place, the  
10 elector shall then execute the following written statement: “I, ..., hereby certify that  
11 to the best of my knowledge, I am a qualified elector, having resided at ... for at least  
12 10 days immediately preceding this election, and that I am not disqualified on any  
13 ground from voting, and I have not voted at this election and am properly registered  
14 to vote in this election.” The person shall be required to provide acceptable proof of  
15 residence as provided under sub. (7) and shall then be given the right to vote. If  
16 acceptable proof is presented, the elector need not have the information corroborated  
17 by any other elector. If acceptable proof is not presented, the statement shall be  
18 certified by the elector and shall be corroborated by another elector who resides in  
19 the municipality. The corroborator shall then provide acceptable proof of residence  
20 as provided in sub. (7). Whenever the question of residence cannot be satisfactorily  
21 resolved and the elector cannot be permitted to vote, an inspector shall telephone the  
22 office of the municipal clerk to reconcile the records at the polling place with those  
23 at the office.

24           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 58.** 6.79 (intro.) (except 6.79 (title)) of the statutes is  
25 renumbered 6.79 (1m) and amended to read:

1           6.79 (1m) SEPARATE POLL LISTS. Two election officials at each election ward shall  
2 be in charge of and shall maintain 2 separate poll lists of containing information  
3 relating to all persons voting. The municipal clerk may elect to maintain the  
4 information on the ~~poll list~~ lists manually or electronically. If the ~~list is~~ lists are  
5 maintained electronically, the officials shall enter the information into an electronic  
6 data recording system that enables retrieval of a printed copy of the ~~poll list~~ at the  
7 polling place. The system employed is subject to the approval of the board.

8           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 59.** 6.79 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

9           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 60d.** 6.79 (2) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to  
10 read:

11           6.79 (2) VERIFICATION OF NAME AND ADDRESS AND MAINTENANCE OF POLL LISTS. (a)  
12 Unless information on the poll list is entered electronically, the municipal clerk shall  
13 supply the inspectors with 2 copies of the most current original registration list or  
14 lists prepared under s. 6.36 (1) for use as poll lists at the polling place. Except as  
15 provided in sub. (6), each person, before receiving a serial number, shall state his or  
16 her full name and address. The officials shall verify that the name and address  
17 provided by the person are the same as the person's name and address on the poll list.

18           (b) Upon the poll list, after the name of each elector, the officials shall enter a  
19 serial number for each elector in the order that votes are cast, beginning with  
20 number one. The officials shall maintain a separate list for electors who are voting  
21 under s. 6.15 or 6.55 (2) or (3), electors who are voting after presenting a certificate  
22 issued under s. 6.285 (2) (b) 2. or 6.29 (2) (b), and electors who are reassigned from  
23 another polling place under s. 5.25 (5) (b). The officials shall enter the full name,  
24 address, and serial number of each of these electors on the appropriate separate list.

1 The officials shall provide each elector with a slip bearing the same serial number  
2 as is recorded for the elector upon the poll list or separate list.

3 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 62d.** 6.79 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.79 (4) SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION. When any elector provides identification  
5 under ~~sub. (1) or~~ s. 6.15, 6.29 or 6.55 (2) or (3), the election officials shall enter the  
6 type of identification on the poll ~~or registration~~ list, or supplemental list maintained  
7 under sub. (2). If the form of identification includes a number which applies only to  
8 the individual holding that piece of identification, the election officials shall also  
9 enter that number on the list. When any elector corroborates the registration  
10 identity or residence of any person offering to vote under ~~sub. (1) or~~ s. 6.55 (2) (b) or  
11 (c) or (3) the name and address of the corroborator shall also be entered next to the  
12 name of the elector whose information is being corroborated on the ~~registration or~~  
13 poll list, or the separate list maintained under sub. (2). When any person offering  
14 to vote has been challenged and taken the oath, following the person's name on the  
15 ~~registration or~~ poll list, the officials shall enter the word "Sworn",."

16 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 63.** 6.79 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

17 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 65.** 6.79 (6) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

18 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 67d.** 6.79 (6) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 6.79 (6)  
19 and amended to read:

20 6.79 (6) CONFIDENTIAL NAMES AND ADDRESSES. ~~In municipalities where~~  
21 ~~registration is required, an~~ An elector who has a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2)  
22 may present his or her identification card issued under s. 6.47 (3), or ~~may~~ give his  
23 or her name and identification serial number issued under s. 6.47 (3), in lieu of  
24 stating his or her name and address under sub. (2). If the elector's name and  
25 identification serial number appear on the confidential portion of the list, the



1 inspectors shall issue a voting serial number to the elector, record that number on  
2 the ~~registration~~ poll list and permit the elector to vote.

3 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 68d.** 6.82 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.82 (1) (a) When any inspectors are informed that an elector is at the entrance  
5 to the polling place who as a result of disability is unable to enter the polling place,  
6 they shall permit the elector to be assisted in marking or punching a ballot by any  
7 individual selected by the elector, except the elector's employer or an agent of that  
8 employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.  
9 The inspectors shall issue a ballot to the individual selected by the elector and shall  
10 accompany the individual to the polling place entrance where the assistance is to be  
11 given. If the ballot is a paper ballot, the assisting individual shall fold the ballot after  
12 the ballot is marked or punched by the assisting individual. The assisting individual  
13 shall then immediately take the ballot into the polling place and give the ballot to an  
14 inspector. The inspector shall distinctly announce that he or she has "a ballot offered  
15 by .... (stating person's name), an elector who, as a result of disability, is unable to  
16 enter the polling place without assistance".," The inspector shall then ask, "Does  
17 anyone object to the reception of this ballot?" If no objection is made, the inspectors  
18 shall record the elector's name under s. 6.79 and deposit the ballot in the ballot box,  
19 and shall make a notation on the ~~registration~~ or poll list: "Ballot received at poll  
20 entrance".,"

21 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 69.** 6.86 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 6.86 (3) (a) Any elector who is registered, ~~or otherwise qualified where~~  
23 ~~registration is not required,~~ and who is hospitalized, may apply for and obtain an  
24 official ballot by agent. The agent may apply for and obtain a ballot for the  
25 hospitalized absent elector by presenting a form prescribed by the board and

1 containing the required information supplied by the hospitalized elector and signed  
2 by that elector and any other elector residing in the same municipality as the  
3 hospitalized elector, corroborating the information contained therein. The  
4 corroborating elector shall state on the form his or her full name and address.

5 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 70.** 6.88 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.88 (3) (a) Any time between the opening and closing of the polls on election  
7 day, the inspectors shall open the carrier envelope only, and announce the name of  
8 the absent elector or the identification serial number of the absent elector if the  
9 elector has a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2). When the inspectors find that the  
10 certification has been properly executed, the applicant is a qualified elector of the  
11 ward or election district, and the applicant has not voted in the election, they shall  
12 enter an indication on the poll ~~or registration~~ list next to the applicant's name  
13 indicating an absentee ballot is cast by the elector. They shall then open the envelope  
14 containing the ballot in a manner so as not to deface or destroy the certification  
15 thereon. The inspectors shall take out the ballot without unfolding it or permitting  
16 it to be unfolded or examined. Unless the ballot is cast under s. 6.95, the inspectors  
17 shall verify that the ballot has been endorsed by the issuing clerk. The inspectors  
18 shall deposit the ballot into the proper ballot box and enter the absent elector's name  
19 or voting number after his or her name on the poll ~~or registration~~ list in the same  
20 manner as if the elector had been present and voted in person.

21 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 71.** 6.94 of the statutes is amended to read:

22 **6.94 Challenged elector oath.** If the person challenged refuses to answer  
23 fully any relevant questions put to him or her by the inspector under s. 6.92, the  
24 inspectors shall reject the elector's vote. If the challenge is not withdrawn after the  
25 person offering to vote has answered the questions, one of the inspectors shall

1 administer to the person the following oath or affirmation: “You do solemnly swear  
2 (or affirm) that: you are 18 years of age; you are a citizen of the United States; you  
3 are now and for 10 days have been a resident of this ward except under s. 6.02 (2);  
4 you have not voted at this election; you have not made any bet or wager or become  
5 directly or indirectly interested in any bet or wager depending upon the result of this  
6 election; you are not on any other ground disqualified to vote at this election””. If  
7 the person challenged refuses to take the oath or affirmation, the person’s vote shall  
8 be rejected. If the person challenged answers fully all relevant questions put to the  
9 elector by the inspector under s. 6.92, takes the oath or affirmation, and fulfills the  
10 applicable registration requirements, ~~where applicable~~, and if the answers to the  
11 questions given by the person indicate that the person meets the voting qualification  
12 requirements, the person’s vote shall be received.

13 \*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 72. 6.95 of the statutes is amended to read:

14 **6.95 Voting procedure for challenged electors.** Whenever the inspectors  
15 under ss. 6.92 to 6.94 receive the vote of a person offering to vote who has been  
16 challenged, they shall give the elector a ballot. Before depositing the ballot, the  
17 inspectors shall write on the back of the ballot the serial number of the challenged  
18 person corresponding to the number kept at the election on the ~~registration or~~ poll  
19 list, or other list maintained under s. 6.79. If voting machines are used in the  
20 municipality where the person is voting, the person’s vote may be received only upon  
21 an absentee ballot furnished by the municipal clerk which shall have the  
22 corresponding serial number from the ~~registration or~~ poll list or other list  
23 maintained under s. 6.79 written on the back of the ballot before the ballot is  
24 deposited. The inspectors shall indicate on the list the reason for the challenge. The  
25 challenged ballots shall be counted under s. 5.85 or 7.51. The municipal board of

1 canvassers may decide any challenge when making its canvass under s. 7.53. If the  
2 returns are reported under s. 7.60, a challenge may be reviewed by the county board  
3 of canvassers. If the returns are reported under s. 7.70, a challenge may be reviewed  
4 by the chairperson of the board or the chairperson's designee. The decision of any  
5 board of canvassers or of the chairperson or chairperson's designee may be appealed  
6 under s. 9.01. The standard for disqualification specified in s. 6.325 shall be used to  
7 determine the validity of challenged ballots.

8 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 73.** 7.08 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 7.08 (1) (c) Prescribe forms required by ss. 6.24 (3) and (4), 6.30 (4), 6.33 (1),  
10 6.40 (1) (b), 6.47 (1) (a) 2. and (3), 6.55 (2) and (3), ~~6.79 (5)~~ and 6.86 (2) and (3). All  
11 such forms shall contain a statement of the penalty applicable to false or fraudulent  
12 registration or voting through use of the form. Forms are not required to be furnished  
13 by the board.

14 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 77.** 7.10 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 7.10 (1) (b) The county clerk shall supply sufficient ~~poll list blanks for~~  
16 ~~municipalities that do not have elector registration and other~~ election supplies for  
17 national, state and county elections to municipalities within the county. The ~~poll list~~  
18 ~~blanks and other~~ election supplies shall be enclosed in the sealed package containing  
19 the official ballots and delivered to the municipal clerk.

20 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 78.** 7.10 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

21 7.10 (7) REGISTRATION AGENT FOR TOWN CLERK. The county clerk shall carry out  
22 the registration functions specified in ss. 6.29 (2) and 6.33 (5) (b) for any town clerk  
23 who designates the county clerk as the agent of the town clerk under s. 6.33 (5) (b).

24 **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 79d.** 7.15 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           7.15 (1) SUPERVISE REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. (intro.) ~~Each~~ Except as  
2 provided in ss. 6.33 (5) (b) and 6.36 (1), each municipal clerk has charge and  
3 supervision of elections and registration in the municipality. The clerk shall perform  
4 the following duties and any others which may be necessary to properly conduct  
5 elections or registration:

6           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 80.** 7.15 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

7           7.15 (1) (c) Prepare ballots for municipal elections, and distribute ballots and  
8 provide other supplies for conducting all elections. The municipal clerk shall deliver  
9 ~~poll list forms received from the county clerk to the polling places with the ballots to~~  
10 the polling places before the polls open.

11           **\*b1565/1.1\* SECTION 82.** 7.15 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

12           7.15 (4) RECORDING ELECTORS. After each election ~~where registration is used,~~  
13 the municipal clerk shall make a record of each elector who has voted at the election  
14 by stamping or writing the date of the election in the appropriate space on the  
15 original registration form of the elector. Municipalities employing data processing  
16 may, in lieu of this requirement, record voting information in such a manner that it  
17 is readily available for retrieval by computer.”

18           **\*b1597/1.1\* 7.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

19           **\*b1597/1.1\* “SECTION 72m.** 7.03 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

20           7.03 (1) (a) A reasonable daily compensation shall be paid to each inspector,  
21 voting machine custodian, automatic tabulating equipment technician, member of  
22 a board of canvassers, messenger and tabulator who is employed and performing  
23 duties under chs. 5 to 12. Daily compensation shall also be provided for attendance  
24 at training sessions and examinations required by the board under s. 7.31.

1 Alternatively, such officials may be paid by the hour at a proportionate rate for each  
2 hour actually worked.

3 **\*b1597/1.1\* SECTION 81aa.** 7.15 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 7.15 (1) (e) ~~Instruct~~ In coordination with the board, instruct election officials  
5 in their duties, calling them together whenever advisable, advise them of changes  
6 in laws, rules and procedures affecting the performance of their duties, and  
7 administer examinations as authorized under s. 7.30 (2) (c). The clerk shall assure  
8 that officials who serve at polling places where an electronic voting system is used  
9 are familiar with the system and competent to instruct electors in its proper use. The  
10 clerk shall inspect systematically and thoroughly the conduct of elections in the  
11 municipality so that elections are honestly, efficiently and uniformly conducted.

12 **\*b1597/1.1\* SECTION 83ab.** 7.30 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 7.30 (1) NUMBER. There shall be 7 inspectors for each polling place at each  
14 election. In municipalities where voting machines are used, the municipal governing  
15 body may reduce the number of inspectors to 5. A municipal governing body may  
16 provide for the appointment of additional inspectors whenever more than one voting  
17 machine is used or wards are combined under s. 5.15 (6) (b). A municipal governing  
18 body may provide by ordinance for the selection of alternate officials or the selection  
19 of 2 or more sets of officials to work at different times on election day, and may permit  
20 the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners to establish different working  
21 hours for different officials assigned to the same polling place. Alternate officials  
22 shall also be appointed in a number sufficient to maintain adequate staffing of  
23 polling places. Unless officials are appointed without regard to party affiliation  
24 under sub. (4) (c), additional officials shall be appointed in such a manner that the

1 total number of officials is an odd number and the predominant party under sub. (2)  
2 is represented by one more official than the other party.

3 **\*b1597/1.1\* SECTION 85m.** 7.30 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 7.30 (6) (b) Prior to the first election following the appointment of the  
5 inspectors, the inspectors at each polling place shall elect one of their number to act  
6 as chief inspector. No person may serve as chief inspector at any election who is not  
7 certified by the board under s. 7.31 at the time of the election. The chief inspector  
8 shall hold the position for the remainder of the term unless the inspector ceases to  
9 be certified under s. 7.31, except that whenever wards are combined or separated  
10 under s. 5.15 (6) (b), the inspectors shall elect a new chief inspector who is certified  
11 under s. 7.31. If a vacancy occurs in the position of chief inspector, the municipal  
12 clerk shall appoint one of the other inspectors who is certified under s. 7.31 to fill the  
13 vacancy.

14 **\*b1597/1.1\* SECTION 85s.** 7.31 of the statutes is created to read:

15 **7.31 Training and certification of chief inspectors.** (1) The board shall,  
16 by rule, prescribe requirements for certification of individuals to serve as chief  
17 inspectors.

18 (2) No individual may serve as a chief inspector at a polling place in an election  
19 unless the individual is certified by the board to hold that office on the date of the  
20 election at which the individual serves.

21 (3) The board shall, upon application, issue certificates to qualified individuals  
22 who meet the requirements to be certified as chief inspectors. Each certificate shall  
23 carry an expiration date.

24 (4) The board shall require each individual to whom a certificate is issued  
25 under this section to meet requirements to maintain that certification. The board

1 shall renew the certificate of any individual who requests renewal and who meets the  
2 requirements prescribed under this subsection.

3 (5) The board shall conduct regular training and administer examinations to  
4 ensure that individuals who are certified by the board under this section are  
5 knowledgeable concerning their authority and responsibilities. The board shall pay  
6 all costs required to conduct the training and to administer the examinations from  
7 the appropriation under s. 20.510 (1) (b).”.

8 \*b1599/2.1\* **8.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

9 \*b1599/2.1\* “SECTION 81m. 7.15 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 7.15 (2) (d) Whenever the governing body of any municipality submits any  
11 question to a vote of the electors or whenever a proper recall petition and certificate  
12 are filed under s. 9.10, the municipal clerk shall issue a call for the election and  
13 prepare and distribute ballots as required in the authorization of submission or as  
14 provided in s. 9.10. The date of the referendum shall be established in accordance  
15 with s. 8.065, and shall be fixed by the municipal clerk or board of election  
16 commissioners unless otherwise provided by law or unless the governing body fixes  
17 a date. The ballot for any referendum shall conform to s. 5.64 (2). If there is already  
18 an official municipal referendum ballot for the election, the question may appear on  
19 the same ballot.”.

20 \*b1601/1.1\* **9.** Page 2, line 25: before that line insert:

21 \*b1601/1.1\* “SECTION 2m. 5.02 (1e) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 5.02 (1e) “Ballot” means a ~~tabulating card~~, ballot label, sheet of paper or  
23 envelope on which votes are recorded. The term also includes a sheet or card,  
24 filmstrip or other device listing or containing information relative to offices,



1 candidates and referenda which is placed, projected or composed on the board or  
2 screen inside a voting machine.

3 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 2p.** 5.02 (1m) of the statutes is repealed.

4 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 8m.** 5.35 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 5.35 (2) VOTING BOOTHS. There shall be one voting booth for every 200 electors  
6 who voted at the last general election. The booths shall have a surface on which to  
7 write or work and be sufficiently enclosed to assure privacy for the elector and anyone  
8 lawfully assisting the elector while marking ~~or punching~~ the elector's ballot.

9 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 8p.** 5.35 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 5.35 (6) (b) At each polling place in the state where a consolidated ballot under  
11 s. 5.655 is used or an electronic voting system is utilized at a partisan primary  
12 election incorporating a ballot upon which electors may mark ~~or punch~~ votes for  
13 candidates of more than one recognized political party or for candidates of a  
14 recognized political party and independent candidates, the municipal clerk or board  
15 of election commissioners shall prominently post a sign in the form prescribed by the  
16 board warning electors in substance that on any ballot with votes cast for candidates  
17 of more than one recognized political party or any ballot with votes cast for  
18 candidates of a recognized political party and independent candidates, no votes cast  
19 for any candidates for partisan office will be counted unless a preference for a party  
20 or for the independent candidates is made. If the elector designates a preference,  
21 only votes cast for candidates of that preference will be counted.

22 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9e.** 5.54 of the statutes is amended to read:

23 **5.54 Notice to electors.** Every ballot, except a ~~ballot label or~~ voting machine  
24 ballot, shall bear substantially the following information on the face: "NOTICE TO  
25 ELECTORS: This ballot may be invalid unless initialed by 2 election inspectors. If cast

1 as an absentee ballot, the ballot must bear the initials of the municipal clerk or  
2 deputy clerk.

3 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9g.** 5.55 of the statutes is amended to read:

4 **5.55 Ballot identification.** On every ballot, except a ~~ballot label or~~ voting  
5 machine ballot, shall be printed “Official .... Ballot” or “Official .... Ballot for ....”  
6 followed by the designation of the polling place for which the ballot has been  
7 prepared, the date of the election, and the official endorsement and blank  
8 certificates. The number of the ward or wards or aldermanic district, if any, and the  
9 name of the municipality may be omitted in printing and stamped or written on the  
10 ballots at any location which is clearly visible at the option of the county clerk.  
11 Printed information and initials shall appear on the back and outside of the ballot.  
12 ~~When a ballot card is employed with an electronic voting system, the date of the~~  
13 ~~election may be printed or stamped on the back of the ballot card in such a manner~~  
14 ~~that the card is not reusable, at the option of the county clerk.~~

15 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9i.** 5.66 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 5.66 (2) The county clerk or board of election commissioners shall print a  
17 sufficient number of sample ballots. The municipal clerk or board of election  
18 commissioners shall print sample ballots whenever the municipality prepares  
19 ballots under s. 7.15 (2) (b) or (c). Sample ballots shall be printed on nonwhite colored  
20 paper and shall be overprinted “SAMPLE”. Voting machine sample ballots shall be  
21 a reduced size diagram of the face of the board or screen inside the voting machine  
22 with all candidates, issues and voting instructions as they will appear on the official  
23 ballot. Sample ballots to be used with an electronic voting system in which ~~ballot~~  
24 ~~labels and ballot cards~~ ballots that are distributed to electors are used shall be an  
25 actual size copy of the ballot ~~label and ballot card~~. The clerk or board of election

1 commissioners printing the ballots shall distribute the samples approximately as  
2 follows: 45% shall be kept in the clerk's or board's office and distributed to electors  
3 requesting them; 45% shall be sent to the municipalities, or, if the municipality  
4 prints ballots, 45% shall be sent to the county for distribution to the electors; and 10%  
5 shall be reserved to be sent to the polling places by municipalities in proportion to  
6 the number certified in sub. (1) and made available to electors at the polls on election  
7 day.

8 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9k.** 5.68 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 5.68 (3) If voting machines are used or if an electronic voting system is used  
10 in which all candidates and referenda appear on the same ballot card, the ballots for  
11 all national, state and county offices and for county and state referenda shall be  
12 prepared and paid for by the county wherein they are used. If the voting machine  
13 or electronic voting system ballot includes a municipal or school, technical college,  
14 sewerage or sanitary district ballot, the cost of that portion of the ballot shall be  
15 reimbursed to the county or paid for by the municipality or district, except as  
16 provided in a 1st class city school district under sub. (2).

17 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9m.** 5.79 of the statutes is amended to read:

18 **5.79 Instruction of electors.** At polling places where an electronic voting  
19 system employing the use of ~~ballot cards or ballot labels~~ ballots and voting devices  
20 is used, the election officials shall offer each elector instruction in the operation of  
21 the voting device and ~~ballot label or ballot card~~ before the elector enters the voting  
22 booth. No instructions may be given after the elector has entered the voting booth,  
23 except as authorized under s. 6.82 (2). All instructions shall be given by election  
24 officials in such a manner that they may be observed by other persons in the polling  
25 place.

1           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9n.** 5.81 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           5.81 (1) Whenever the statutes provide for the use of separate ballots or  
3 columns or rows for offices, parties or referenda, and an electronic voting system  
4 ~~employing a ballot label or ballot card~~ in which ballots are distributed to electors is  
5 used at a polling place, a single ballot may be used for all offices, referenda and  
6 parties. The ballot information, whether placed on the ballot or on the voting device,  
7 shall, as far as practicable, be grouped and ordered in the same manner as provided  
8 for other ballots under this chapter, except that the information on the ballot ~~card~~  
9 need not be in separate columns or rows ~~and the information in the ballot label~~  
10 ~~booklet may appear on a number of pages.~~

11           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9p.** 5.81 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

12           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9r.** 5.81 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

13           5.81 (3) If a municipality utilizes an electronic voting system in which ballots  
14 distributed to electors are employed, absentee ballots may consist of ballots utilized  
15 with the system or paper ballots and envelopes voted in person in the office of the  
16 municipal clerk or voted by mail. ~~If a ballot card is used for voting by mail it shall~~  
17 ~~be accompanied by a punching tool or marking device, elector instructions and a~~  
18 ~~sample ballot showing the proper positions to vote on the ballot card for each party,~~  
19 ~~candidate or referendum and, if the ballot card is to be punched, shall be mounted~~  
20 ~~on a suitable material.~~

21           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9t.** 5.82 of the statutes is amended to read:

22           **5.82 Write-in ballots.** If the ballot ~~card~~ employed by a municipality does not  
23 provide a space for write-in votes, the municipality shall provide a separate write-in  
24 ballot, which may be in the form of a paper ballot, to permit electors to write in the

1 names of persons whose names are not on the ballot whenever write-in votes are  
2 authorized.

3 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9tm.** 5.84 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 5.84 (1) Where any municipality employs an electronic voting system which  
5 utilizes automatic tabulating equipment, either at the polling place or at a central  
6 counting location, the municipal clerk shall, on any day not more than 10 days prior  
7 to the election day on which the equipment is to be utilized, have the equipment  
8 tested to ascertain that it will correctly count the votes cast for all offices and on all  
9 measures. Public notice of the time and place of the test shall be given by the clerk  
10 at least 48 hours prior to the test by publication of a class 1 notice under ch. 985 in  
11 one or more newspapers published within the municipality if a newspaper is  
12 published therein, otherwise in a newspaper of general circulation therein. The test  
13 shall be open to the public. The test shall be conducted by processing a preaudited  
14 group of ballots so ~~punched or~~ marked as to record a predetermined number of valid  
15 votes for each candidate and on each referendum. The test shall include for each  
16 office one or more ballots which have votes in excess of the number allowed by law  
17 and, for a partisan primary election, one or more ballots which have votes cast for  
18 candidates of more than one recognized political party, in order to test the ability of  
19 the automatic tabulating equipment to reject such votes. If any error is detected, the  
20 municipal clerk shall ascertain the cause and correct the error. The clerk shall make  
21 an errorless count before the automatic tabulating equipment is approved by the  
22 clerk for use in the election.

23 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9w.** 5.85 (2) and (3) of the statutes are amended to read:

24 5.85 (2) The election officials shall examine the ballots or record of votes cast  
25 for write-in votes and shall count and tabulate the write-in votes. When an

1 electronic voting system is used which utilizes a ballot which is distributed to  
2 electors, before separating the remaining ~~ballot cards~~ ballots from their respective  
3 covering envelopes, the election officials shall examine the ballots for write-in votes.  
4 When an elector has cast a write-in vote, the election officials shall compare the  
5 write-in vote with the votes on the ballot to determine whether the write-in vote  
6 results in an overvote for any office. In case of an overvote for any office, the election  
7 officials shall make a true duplicate ballot of all votes on the ballot ~~card~~ except for  
8 the office which is overvoted, by using the an official ballot label booklet and voting  
9 device for the ward, if any of that kind used by the elector who voted the original  
10 ballot, and one of the punching or marking devices so as to transfer all votes of the  
11 elector except for the office overvoted, to an official ballot of that kind used in the  
12 ward at that election. Unless election officials are selected under s. 7.30 (4) (c)  
13 without regard to party affiliation, the election officials shall consist in each case of  
14 at least one election official of each of the 2 major political parties, whenever officials  
15 of both parties are present. Write-in votes shall be counted as provided in s. 7.50 (2)  
16 (d). The original ballot upon which there is an overvote shall be clearly labeled  
17 “Overvoted Ballot” and the ballot so produced “Duplicate Overvoted Ballot”, and  
18 each shall bear the same serial number which shall be placed thereon by the election  
19 officials, commencing with number “1” and continuing consecutively for each of the  
20 ballots of that kind in that ward or election district. The election officials shall initial  
21 the “Duplicate Overvoted Ballot” ballots and shall place them in the container for  
22 return of the ballots. The “Overvoted Ballot” ballots and their envelopes shall be  
23 placed in the “Original Ballots” envelope. Ballots bearing write-in votes marked in  
24 the place designated therefor and bearing the initials of an election official and not  
25 resulting in an overvote and otherwise complying with the election laws as to

1 marking shall be counted, tallied, and their votes recorded on a tally sheet provided  
2 by the municipal clerk. ~~Ballot cards~~ Ballots and ballot ~~card~~ envelopes shall be  
3 separated and all ballots except any which are defective or overvoted shall be placed  
4 separately in the container for return of the ballots, along with the ballots marked  
5 “Duplicate Overvoted Ballots”.

6 (3) The election officials shall examine the ballots to determine if any is  
7 damaged or defective so that it cannot be counted by the automatic tabulating  
8 equipment. If any ballot is damaged or defective so that it cannot be properly counted  
9 by the automatic tabulating equipment, the election officials, in the presence of  
10 witnesses, shall make a true duplicate ballot of all votes on that ballot by using the  
11 ballot label booklet and voting device for the ward, if any, and one of the punching  
12 or marking devices so as to transfer all votes of the elector to an official ballot of that  
13 kind used ~~in the ward~~ by the elector who voted the original ballot in that election.  
14 Unless election officials are selected under s. 7.30 (4) (c) without regard to party  
15 affiliation, the election officials shall consist in each case of at least one election  
16 official of each of the 2 major political parties, whenever officials of both parties are  
17 present. The original ballot shall be clearly labeled “Damaged Ballot” and the ballot  
18 so produced “Duplicate Damaged Ballot”, and each shall bear the same number  
19 which shall be placed thereon by the election officials, commencing with number “1”  
20 and continuing consecutively for the ballots of that kind in the ward. The election  
21 officials shall initial the “Duplicate Damaged Ballot” ballots, and shall place them  
22 in the container for return of the ballots. The officials shall place “Damaged Ballot”  
23 ballots and their envelopes in the “Original Ballots” envelope.

24 \*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9x. 5.91 (14) of the statutes is created to read:

1           5.91 (14) It does not employ any mechanism by which a ballot is punched or  
2           punctured to record the votes cast by an elector.

3           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 9y.** 5.94 of the statutes is amended to read:

4           **5.94 Sample ballot labels and cards ballots; publication.** When an  
5           electronic voting system employing a ballot label and ballot card that is distributed  
6           to electors is used, the county and municipal clerk of the county and municipality in  
7           which the polling place designated for use of the system is located shall cause to be  
8           published, in the type B notices, a true actual-size copy of the ballot label and ballot  
9           card containing the names of offices and candidates and statements of measures to  
10          be voted on, as nearly as possible, in the form in which they will appear on the official  
11          ballot label and ballot card on election day. The notice may be published as a  
12          newspaper insert. Municipal clerks may post the notice if the remainder of the type  
13          B notice is posted.

14          **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 16ab.** 6.15 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

15          6.15 (3) (a) 1. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card,  
16          the municipal clerk shall inform the elector that he or she may vote for the  
17          presidential electors not sooner than 9 days nor later than 5 p.m. on the day before  
18          the election at the office of the municipal clerk, or at a specified polling place on  
19          election day. When voting at the municipal clerk's office, the applicant shall provide  
20          identification and shall mark ~~or punch~~ the ballot in the clerk's presence in a manner  
21          that will not disclose his or her vote. Unless the ballot is utilized with an electronic  
22          voting system, the applicant shall fold the ballot so as to conceal his or her vote. The  
23          applicant shall then deposit the ballot and seal it in an envelope furnished by the  
24          clerk.

25          **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 17ab.** 6.15 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:



1           6.15 (3) (b) *Election day.* An eligible elector may appear at the polling place for  
2 the ward or election district where he or she resides and make application for a ballot  
3 under sub. (2). In such case, the inspector or special registration deputy shall  
4 perform the duties of the municipal clerk. The elector shall provide identification.  
5 If the elector is qualified, he or she shall be permitted to vote. The elector shall mark  
6 ~~or punch~~ the ballot and, unless the ballot is utilized with an electronic voting system,  
7 the elector shall fold the ballot, and shall deposit the ballot into the ballot box or give  
8 it to the inspector. The inspector shall deposit it directly into the ballot box. Voting  
9 machines or ballots utilized with electronic voting systems may only be used by  
10 electors voting under this section if they permit voting for president and vice  
11 president only.

12           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 19m.** 6.22 (4) and (5) of the statutes are amended to read:

13           6.22 (4) INSTRUCTIONS AND HANDLING. An individual who qualifies as a military  
14 elector may request an absentee ballot for any election, or for all elections until the  
15 individual otherwise requests or until the individual no longer qualifies as a military  
16 elector. A military elector's application may be received at any time. The municipal  
17 clerk shall not send a ballot for an election if the application is received later than  
18 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding that election. The municipal clerk shall send a ballot,  
19 as soon as available, to each military elector who requests a ballot. The board shall  
20 prescribe the instructions for marking ~~or punching~~ and returning ballots and the  
21 municipal clerk shall enclose instructions with each ballot and shall also enclose  
22 supplemental instructions for local elections. The envelope, return envelope and  
23 instructions may not contain the name of any candidate appearing on the enclosed  
24 ballots other than that of the municipal clerk affixed in the fulfillment of his or her  
25 duties. Whenever the material is mailed, the material shall be prepared and mailed

1 to make use of the federal free postage laws. The mailing list established under this  
2 subsection shall be kept current in the same manner as provided in s. 6.86 (2) (b).

3 (5) VOTING PROCEDURE. Except as authorized in s. 6.25, the ballot shall be  
4 marked ~~or punched~~ and returned, deposited and recorded in the same manner as  
5 other absentee ballots. In addition, the certification under s. 6.87 (2) shall have a  
6 statement of the elector's birth date. Failure to return any unused ballots in a  
7 primary election does not invalidate the ballot on which the elector casts his or her  
8 votes.

9 \*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 22m. 6.24 (6) and (7) of the statutes are amended to read:

10 6.24 (6) INSTRUCTIONS AND HANDLING. The municipal clerk shall send a ballot,  
11 as soon as available, to each overseas elector by whom a request has been made. The  
12 board shall prescribe the instructions for marking ~~or punching~~ and returning ballots  
13 and the municipal clerk shall enclose such instructions with each ballot. The  
14 envelope, return envelope and instructions may not contain the name of any  
15 candidate appearing on the enclosed ballots other than that of the municipal clerk  
16 affixed in the fulfillment of his or her duties. Except as authorized in s. 6.87 (3), the  
17 municipal clerk shall mail the material postage prepaid to any place in the world.  
18 The overseas elector shall provide return postage.

19 (7) VOTING PROCEDURE. Except as authorized under s. 6.25, the ballot shall be  
20 marked ~~or punched~~ and returned, deposited and recorded in the same manner as  
21 other absentee ballots. In addition, the certificate shall have a statement of the  
22 elector's birth date. Failure to return the unused ballots in a primary election does  
23 not invalidate the ballot on which the elector casts his or her votes.

24 \*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 68ab. 6.82 (1) (a) and (2) (a) and (b) of the statutes are  
25 amended to read:

1           6.82 (1) (a) When any inspectors are informed that an elector is at the entrance  
2 to the polling place who as a result of disability is unable to enter the polling place,  
3 they shall permit the elector to be assisted in marking ~~or punching~~ a ballot by any  
4 individual selected by the elector, except the elector's employer or an agent of that  
5 employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.  
6 The inspectors shall issue a ballot to the individual selected by the elector and shall  
7 accompany the individual to the polling place entrance where the assistance is to be  
8 given. If the ballot is a paper ballot, the assisting individual shall fold the ballot after  
9 the ballot is marked ~~or punched~~ by the assisting individual. The assisting individual  
10 shall then immediately take the ballot into the polling place and give the ballot to an  
11 inspector. The inspector shall distinctly announce that he or she has "a ballot offered  
12 by .... (stating person's name), an elector who, as a result of disability, is unable to  
13 enter the polling place without assistance". The inspector shall then ask, "Does  
14 anyone object to the reception of this ballot?" If no objection is made, the inspectors  
15 shall record the elector's name under s. 6.79 and deposit the ballot in the ballot box,  
16 and shall make a notation on the registration or poll list: "Ballot received at poll  
17 entrance".

18           (2) (a) If an elector declares to the presiding election official that he or she  
19 cannot read or write, or has difficulty in reading, writing or understanding English  
20 or that due to disability is unable to mark ~~or punch~~ a ballot or depress a button or  
21 lever on a voting machine, the elector shall be informed by the officials that he or she  
22 may have assistance. When assistance is requested, the elector may select any  
23 individual to assist in casting his or her vote. The selected individual rendering  
24 assistance may not be the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer  
25 or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector. The selected individual

1 shall certify on the back of the ballot that it was marked ~~or punched~~ with his or her  
2 assistance. Where voting machines are used, certification shall be made on the  
3 registration list.

4 (b) The individual chosen shall enter the voting booth or machine with the  
5 elector and shall read the names of all candidates on the ballot for each office, and  
6 ask, "For which one do you vote?". The ballot shall be marked ~~or punched~~ or the lever  
7 or button depressed according to the elector's expressed preference. The individual  
8 selected to assist may not disclose to anyone how the elector voted."

9 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 69e.** 6.87 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 6.87 (3) (d) ~~Unless a municipality uses an electronic voting system that~~  
11 ~~requires an elector to punch a ballot in order to record the elector's votes, a~~ A  
12 municipal clerk of a municipality may, if the clerk is reliably informed by an absent  
13 elector of a facsimile transmission number or electronic mail address where the  
14 elector can receive an absentee ballot, transmit a facsimile or electronic copy of the  
15 absent elector's ballot to that elector in lieu of mailing under this subsection if, in the  
16 judgment of the clerk, the time required to send the ballot through the mail may not  
17 be sufficient to enable return of the ballot by the time provided under sub. (6). An  
18 elector may receive an absentee ballot under this subsection only if the elector has  
19 filed a valid application for the ballot under sub. (1). If the clerk transmits an  
20 absentee ballot under this paragraph, the clerk shall also transmit a facsimile or  
21 electronic copy of the text of the material that appears on the certificate envelope  
22 prescribed in sub. (2), together with instructions prescribed by the board. The  
23 instructions shall require the absent elector to make and subscribe to the  
24 certification as required under sub. (4) and to enclose the absentee ballot in a  
25 separate envelope contained within a larger envelope, that shall include the

1 completed certificate. The elector shall then mail the absentee ballot with postage  
2 prepaid to the municipal clerk. An absentee ballot received under this paragraph  
3 shall not be counted unless it is cast in the manner prescribed in this paragraph and  
4 in accordance with the instructions provided by the board.

5 \*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 69m. 6.87 (4) and (5) of the statutes are amended to read:

6 6.87 (4) Except as otherwise provided in s. 6.875, the elector voting absentee  
7 shall make and subscribe to the certification before one witness. The absent elector,  
8 in the presence of the witness, shall mark ~~or punch~~ the ballot in a manner that will  
9 not disclose how the elector's vote is cast. The elector shall then, still in the presence  
10 of the witness, fold the ballots if they are paper ballots so each is separate and so that  
11 the elector conceals the markings thereon and deposit them in the proper envelope.  
12 If a consolidated ballot under s. 5.655 is used, the elector shall fold the ballot if it is  
13 a paper ballot so that the elector conceals the markings thereon and deposit the ballot  
14 in the proper envelope. The elector may receive assistance under sub. (5). The return  
15 envelope shall then be sealed. The witness may not be a candidate. The envelope  
16 shall be mailed by the elector, postage prepaid, or delivered in person, to the  
17 municipal clerk issuing the ballot or ballots. Failure to return an unused ballot in  
18 a primary does not invalidate the ballot on which the elector's votes are cast. Return  
19 of more than one marked ~~or punched~~ ballot in a primary or return of a ballot prepared  
20 under s. 5.655 or a ballot used with an electronic voting system in a primary which  
21 is marked ~~or punched~~ for candidates of more than one party invalidates all votes cast  
22 by the elector for candidates in the primary.

23 (5) If the absent elector declares that he or she is unable to read, has difficulty  
24 in reading, writing or understanding English or due to disability is unable to mark  
25 ~~or punch~~ his or her ballot, the elector may select any individual, except the elector's

1 employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization  
2 which represents the elector, to assist in marking or ~~punching~~ the ballot, and the  
3 assistant shall then sign his or her name to a certification on the back of the ballot,  
4 as provided under s. 5.55.

5 **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 69s.** 6.875 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.875 (6) Special voting deputies in each municipality shall, not later than 5  
7 p.m. on the Friday preceding an election, arrange one or more convenient times with  
8 the administrator of each nursing home or qualified retirement home and qualified  
9 community-based residential facility in the municipality from which one or more  
10 occupants have filed an application under s. 6.86 to conduct absentee voting for the  
11 election. The time may be no earlier than the 4th Monday preceding the election and  
12 no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding the election. Upon request of a relative  
13 of an occupant of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified  
14 community-based residential facility, the administrator may notify the relative of  
15 the time or times at which special voting deputies will conduct absentee voting at the  
16 home or facility, and permit the relative to be present in the room where the voting  
17 is conducted. At the designated time, 2 deputies appointed under sub. (4) shall visit  
18 the nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified community-based  
19 residential facility. The municipal clerk or executive director of the board of election  
20 commissioners shall issue a supply of absentee ballots to the deputies sufficient to  
21 provide for the number of valid applications received by the clerk, and a reasonable  
22 additional number of ballots. The municipal clerk or executive director shall keep  
23 a careful record of all ballots issued to the deputies and shall require the deputies to  
24 return every ballot issued to them. The deputies shall personally offer each elector  
25 who has filed a proper application the opportunity to cast his or her absentee ballot.

1 If an elector is present who has not filed a proper application, the 2 deputies may  
2 accept an application from the elector and shall issue a ballot to the elector if the  
3 elector is qualified and the application is proper. The deputies shall administer the  
4 oath and may, upon request of the elector, assist the elector in marking ~~or punching~~  
5 the elector's ballot. Upon request of the elector, a relative of the elector who is present  
6 in the room may assist the elector in marking ~~or punching~~ the elector's ballot. All  
7 voting shall be conducted in the presence of the deputies. No individual other than  
8 a deputy may administer the oath and no individual other than a deputy or relative  
9 of an elector may render voting assistance to the elector. Upon completion of the  
10 voting, the deputies shall promptly deliver, either personally or by 1st class mail, any  
11 absentee ballot applications and the sealed certificate envelope containing each  
12 ballot to the clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality in which the  
13 elector casting the ballot resides, within such time as will permit delivery to the  
14 polling place serving the elector's residence on election day. Personal delivery may  
15 be made by the deputies no later than noon on election day. If a qualified elector is  
16 not able to cast his or her ballot on 2 separate visits by the deputies to the nursing  
17 home or qualified retirement home, they shall so inform the municipal clerk or  
18 executive director of the board of election commissioners, who may then send the  
19 ballot to the elector no later than 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding the election.

20 \*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 76ab. 7.08 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

21 7.08 (7) VOTING SYSTEM TRANSITIONAL ASSISTANCE. From the appropriation under  
22 s. 20.510 (1) (c), provide assistance to municipalities that used punch card electronic  
23 voting systems at the 2001 spring election to enable the municipalities to employ  
24 another type of electronic voting system, and provide training for election officials  
25 in the use of replacement systems.

1           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 76ac.** 7.08 (7) of the statutes, as created by 2001  
2 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), is repealed.

3           **\*b1601/1.1\* SECTION 81m.** 7.15 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

4           7.15 (3) (b) Sample ballots, and voting machine ballots ~~and ballot labels for~~  
5 ~~electronic voting systems, whenever the labels are affixed to the voting devices,~~ shall  
6 be furnished to the officials in the ward or election district at least one day before each  
7 election.”.

8           **\*b1564/1.1\* 10.** Page 3, line 3: after that line insert:

9           **\*b1564/1.1\* “SECTION 87f.** 7.33 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

10           7.33 (4) Each Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, each local  
11 governmental unit, as defined in s. 16.97 (7), may, and each state agency shall, upon  
12 proper application under sub. (3), permit each of its employees to serve as an election  
13 official without loss of fringe benefits or seniority privileges earned for scheduled  
14 working hours during the period specified in sub. (3), ~~and~~ without loss of pay for  
15 scheduled working hours during the period specified in sub. (3) except as provided  
16 in sub. (5), and ~~shall not impose~~ without any other penalty ~~upon an employee who~~  
17 ~~serves as an election official.~~ For employees who are included in a collective  
18 bargaining unit for which a representative is recognized or certified under subch. V  
19 of ch. 111, this subsection shall apply unless otherwise provided in a collective  
20 bargaining agreement.

21           **\*b1564/1.1\* SECTION 87m.** 7.33 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

22           7.33 (5) Any employee of ~~the state~~ a local governmental unit, as defined in s.  
23 16.97 (7), or state agency who obtains a paid leave of absence under sub. (4) in order  
24 to serve as an election official under s. 7.30 shall certify in writing to the head of the



1 local governmental unit or state agency by which he or she is employed the amount  
2 of compensation that the employee receives for such service. Upon receipt of the  
3 certification, the head of the local governmental unit or state agency shall deduct  
4 that amount from the employee's pay earned for scheduled working hours during the  
5 period specified in sub. (2) when the employee is on a paid leave of absence.”.

6 \*b1565/1.2\* **11.** Page 3, line 3: after that line insert:

7 \*b1565/1.2\* “SECTION 88. 7.37 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 7.37 (7) ~~REGISTRATION AND POLL~~ POLL LISTS. Two inspectors shall be assigned  
9 to have charge of the ~~registration or~~ poll lists at each election.

10 \*b1565/1.2\* SECTION 89. 7.51 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 7.51 (2) (a) The inspectors shall first compare the poll ~~or registration~~ lists,  
12 correcting any mistakes until the poll ~~or registration~~ lists agree. The chief inspector  
13 and the inspectors who are responsible for recording electors under s. 6.79 shall  
14 verify the correctness of the poll ~~or registration~~ lists after the polls close by each  
15 signing their name thereto. Where ballots are distributed to electors, the inspectors  
16 shall then open the ballot box and remove and count the number of ballots therein  
17 without examination except as is necessary to ascertain that each is a single ballot.  
18 If 2 or more ballots are folded together so as to appear as a single ballot, the inspectors  
19 shall lay them aside until the count is completed; and if, after a comparison of the  
20 count and the appearance of the ballots it appears to a majority of the inspectors that  
21 the ballots folded together were voted by the same person they may not be counted  
22 but the inspectors shall mark them as to the reason for removal, set them aside and  
23 carefully preserve them. The inspectors shall then proceed under par. (b).

24 \*b1565/1.2\* SECTION 90. 7.51 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           7.51 (2) (c) Whenever the number of ballots exceeds the number of voting  
2 electors as indicated on the poll ~~or registration~~ list, the inspectors shall place all  
3 ballots face up to check for blank ballots. In this paragraph, “blank ballot” means  
4 a ballot on which no votes are cast for any office or question. The inspectors shall  
5 mark, lay aside and preserve any blank ballots. If the number of ballots still exceeds  
6 the number of voting electors, the inspectors shall place all ballots face down and  
7 proceed to check for the initials. The inspectors shall mark, lay aside and preserve  
8 any ballot not bearing the initials of 2 inspectors or any absentee ballot not bearing  
9 the initials of the municipal clerk. During the count the inspectors shall count those  
10 ballots cast by challenged electors the same as the other ballots.

11           **\*b1565/1.2\* SECTION 91d.** 7.51 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

12           7.51 (2) (e) If, after any ballots have been laid aside, the number of ballots still  
13 exceeds the total number of electors recorded on the ~~registration or~~ poll list, the  
14 inspectors shall separate the absentee ballots from the other ballots. If there is an  
15 excess number of absentee ballots, the inspectors shall place the absentee ballots in  
16 the ballot box and one of the inspectors shall publicly and without examination draw  
17 therefrom by chance the number of ballots equal to the excess number of absentee  
18 ballots. If there is an excess number of other ballots, the inspectors shall place those  
19 ballots in the ballot box and one of the inspectors shall publicly and without  
20 examination draw therefrom by chance the number of ballots equal to the excess  
21 number of those ballots. All ballots so removed may not be counted but shall be  
22 specially marked as having been removed by the inspectors on original canvass due  
23 to an excess number of ballots, set aside and preserved. When the number of ballots  
24 and total shown on the poll ~~or registration~~ list agree, the inspectors shall return all  
25 ballots to be counted to the ballot box and shall turn the ballot box in such manner

1 as to thoroughly mix the ballots. The inspectors shall then open, count and record  
2 the number of votes. When the ballots are counted, the inspectors shall separate  
3 them into piles for ballots similarly voted. Objections may be made to placement of  
4 ballots in the piles at the time the separation is made.

5 \*b1565/1.2\* SECTION 92d. 7.51 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 7.51 (4) (a) The tally sheets shall state the total number of votes cast for each  
7 office and for each individual receiving votes for that office, whether or not the  
8 individual's name appears on the ballot, and shall state the vote for and against each  
9 proposition voted on. Upon completion of the tally sheets, the inspectors shall  
10 immediately complete inspectors' statements in duplicate. The inspectors shall state  
11 the excess, if any, by which the number of ballots exceeds the number of electors  
12 voting as shown by the poll ~~or registration~~ list, if any, and shall state the number of  
13 the last elector as shown by the ~~registration or~~ poll lists. At least 3 inspectors,  
14 including the chief inspector and, unless election officials are appointed under s. 7.30  
15 (4) (c) without regard to party affiliation, at least one inspector representing each  
16 political party, shall then certify to the correctness of the statements and tally sheets  
17 and sign their names. All other election officials assisting with the tally shall also  
18 certify to the correctness of the tally sheets. When the tally is complete, the  
19 inspectors shall publicly announce the results from the statements.

20 \*b1565/1.2\* SECTION 93. 7.51 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 7.51 (5) RETURNS. The inspectors shall make full and accurate return of the  
22 votes cast for each candidate and proposition on tally sheet blanks provided by the  
23 municipal clerk for the purpose. Each tally sheet shall record the returns for each  
24 office or referendum by ward, unless combined returns are authorized in accordance  
25 with s. 5.15 (6) (b) in which case the tally sheet shall record the returns for each group

1 of combined wards. After recording the votes, the inspectors shall seal in a carrier  
2 envelope outside the ballot bag or container one inspectors' statement under sub. (4)  
3 (a), one tally sheet and one poll ~~or registration~~ list for delivery to the county clerk,  
4 unless the election relates only to municipal or school district offices or referenda.  
5 The inspectors shall also similarly seal one inspectors' statement, one tally sheet and  
6 one poll ~~or registration~~ list for delivery to the municipal clerk. For school district  
7 elections, except in 1st class cities, the inspectors shall similarly seal one inspectors'  
8 statement, one tally sheet and one poll ~~or registration~~ list for delivery to the school  
9 district clerk. The inspectors shall immediately deliver all ballots, statements, tally  
10 sheets, lists and envelopes to the municipal clerk. The municipal clcrk shall arrange  
11 for delivery of all ballots, statements, tally sheets, lists and envelopes relating to a  
12 school district election to the school district clerk. The municipal clerk shall deliver  
13 the ballots, statements, tally sheets, lists and envelopes for his or her municipality  
14 relating to any county, technical college district, state or national election to the  
15 county clerk by 2 p.m. on the day following each such election. The person delivering  
16 the returns shall be paid out of the municipal treasury. Each clerk receiving ballots,  
17 statements, tally sheets or envelopes shall retain them until destruction is  
18 authorized under s. 7.23 (1).

19 **\*b1565/1.2\* SECTION 94.** 9.01 (1) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

20 9.01 (1) (b) 1. The board of canvassers shall first compare the ~~registration or~~  
21 poll lists and determine the number of voting electors.”.

22 **\*b1566/1.1\* 12.** Page 3, line 3: after that line insert:

23 **\*b1566/1.1\* “SECTION 93m.** 9.01 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read: