

2003 SENATE BILL 1

AN ACT *to renumber and amend* 13.55 (1); and *to create* 13.55 (1) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** service as a commissioner on uniform state laws.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

1 **SECTION 1.** 13.55 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 13.55 (1) (a) and amended
2 to read:

3 13.55 **(1)** (a) There is created a 9-member commission on uniform state laws
4 to advise the legislature with regard to uniform laws and model laws. The Except
5 as provided under par. (b), the commission shall consist of the director of the
6 legislative council staff or a professional employee of the legislative council staff
7 designated by the director, the chief of the legislative reference bureau or a
8 professional employee under s. 13.92 (1) (b) designated by the chief, the revisor of

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1 statutes, 2 senators and 2 representatives to the assembly from the 2 major political
2 parties appointed as are members of standing committees for 2–year terms, and 2
3 public members appointed by the governor for 4–year terms. The terms of members
4 appointed by the governor or by the legislature shall expire on May 1 of an
5 odd–numbered year. The members, other than the appointees of the governor or of
6 the legislature, may each designate an employee to represent them at any meeting
7 of the conference under sub. (3).

8 **SECTION 2.** 13.55 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

9 13.55 (1) (b) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, only senators and
10 representatives to the assembly who are members of the bar association of this state
11 may be appointed to seats designated for the offices of senator and representative to
12 the assembly under par. (a). A seat designated for one of these offices that cannot
13 be filled as a result of this requirement may be filled by a former senator or
14 representative to the assembly from the applicable political party who served on the
15 commission during his or her term as a senator or representative to the assembly and
16 who is a member of the bar association of this state. The former senator or
17 representative to the assembly may be appointed as are members of standing
18 committees and shall serve for a 2–year term as provided under par. (a). This
19 paragraph does not apply if the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform
20 State Laws permits individuals to become voting commissioners or associate
21 members of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws
22 without regard to membership in the bar of the state that the individual represents.

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(END)