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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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1 AN ACT ~~to repeal~~ 5.25 (4) (c), 6.15 (3) (a) (title), 6.15 (3) (b) (title), 6.24 (8), 6.27
2 (2) to (5), 6.35 (2), 6.35 (5) and (6), 6.50 (2m), 6.54, 6.79 (1), 6.79 (5), 6.79 (6) (a)
3 and 120.06 (5); *to renumber* 5.87 and 6.865; *to renumber and amend* 6.15
4 (3) (a) 1., 2. and 3., 6.15 (3) (b), 6.27 (1), 6.79 (intro.) (except 6.79 (title)) and 6.79
5 (6) (b); *to amend* 5.02 (17), 5.25 (4) (a), 5.40 (6), 5.55 (title), 6.15 (2) (title), 6.15
6 (2) (a) (intro.), 6.20, 6.24 (3), 6.24 (4) (a), 6.24 (4) (c), 6.28 (2) (b), 6.28 (3), 6.29
7 (2) (a), 6.29 (2) (b), 6.33 (title), 6.33 (1), 6.33 (2), 6.35 (3), 6.36 (2) (a), 6.36 (3),
8 6.40 (2) (b), 6.47 (2), 6.47 (3), 6.50 (1) (intro.), 6.50 (8), 6.50 (10), 6.55 (2) (a) 1.
9 (intro.), 6.55 (2) (b), 6.55 (2) (c) 1., 6.55 (2) (c) 2., 6.55 (2) (d), 6.55 (3), 6.55 (7) (a)
10 (intro.), 6.55 (7) (b), 6.55 (7) (c) (intro.), 6.55 (7) (c) 1., 6.55 (7) (c) 2., 6.55 (7) (d),
11 6.79 (4), 6.82 (1) (a), 6.86 (3) (a) 1., 6.86 (3) (a) 2., 6.86 (3) (b), 6.86 (3) (c), 6.865
12 (title), 6.87 (3) (d), 6.87 (4), 6.88 (3) (a), 6.94, 6.95, 7.08 (1) (c), 7.10 (1) (b), 7.15
13 (1) (c), 7.15 (4), 7.23 (1) (e), 7.37 (7), 7.51 (2) (a), 7.51 (2) (c), 7.51 (2) (e), 7.51 (4)
14 (a), 7.51 (5) (a), 8.17 (1) (a), 9.01 (1) (b) 1., 9.01 (11), 10.02 (3) (a), 11.30 (title),
15 12.13 (3) (a), 51.62 (3m), 59.05 (2), 117.20 (2) and 125.05 (2) (b); *to repeal and*

1 ~~recreate 6.36 (1) and 6.79 (2); and to create 5.02 (6m), 5.02 (24w), 5.05 (10) and~~
 2 ~~(11), 5.05 (12) and (13), 5.055, 5.061, 5.35 (6) (a) 2m., 4., 4a. and 4b., 5.87 (2), 5.91~~
 3 ~~(15) to (18), 6.06, 6.15 (2) (bm), 6.15 (2) (e), 6.276, 6.285, 6.33 (5), 6.36 (2) (c),~~
 4 ~~6.865 (1), 6.865 (3) and (4), 6.869, 6.96, 6.97, 7.08 (6) and (8), 7.10 (7) and (8),~~
 5 ~~7.15 (9) and (10), 15.617, 20.002 (11) (d) 2m., 20.510 (1) (t), 20.510 (1) (u), 20.510~~
 6 ~~(1) (v), 20.510 (1) (x), 20.855 (4) (bp), 25.17 (1) (e), 25.425 and 51.62 (3) (a) 4. of~~
 7 the statutes; relating to: election administration, voter registration and
 8 voting requirements and procedures, administration of elections, granting
 9 rule-making authority, and making appropriations.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Most of the changes are made

This bill makes various changes in state law relating to voter registration and voting requirements and procedures and administration of elections for the purpose of implementing numerous federal mandates imposed upon this state under the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 and enabling receipt of federal aids by this state under that act. Significant provisions include:

STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION

Under current law, voter registration is required in every municipality with a population of greater than 5,000. This bill requires voter registration in every municipality. The bill also establishes a centralized, state-wide voter registration list that is compiled and maintained by the state Elections Board. Under the bill, the list must be electronically accessible by any person, but no person other than the board or an authorized election official may change the list. The bill permits the board to change the list only for the purpose of deleting the registration of certain individuals who have moved to vote in another state, territory, or possession in which registration is required to be cancelled as the result of a municipal census ~~repealed under current law~~. Under the bill, each municipal clerk or board of election commissioners must electronically enter valid registrations or changes of registration on the list. Each municipality must retain the original registrations or changes of registration as provided under current law. Under the bill, the original forms are controlling whenever there is a discrepancy between the list and the original forms.

information is limited to the board and municipal clerks and boards of election commissioners, and

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REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION

Currently, if registration is required, any individual who qualifies as an elector of a municipality but who is not registered to vote may register in person at various locations within the applicable municipality or may mail to the appropriate municipal clerk a completed registration form. With certain exceptions, the deadline

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for voter registration is 5 p.m. on the second Wednesday preceding the election. Registrations made by mail must be delivered to the office of the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners or postmarked not later than this deadline. However, under current law, voters may also register in person at the office of the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners up to 5 p.m. on the day before the election or, in most cases, may register at the proper polling place on election day. In addition, voters may register at any time after the deadline if the municipal clerk determines that the registration list can be revised to incorporate the registration in time for the election. Currently, an individual who makes a late or election day registration must complete a registration form and a certification of eligibility and must present acceptable proof of residence. If an individual attempting to vote under these late registration or election day registration procedures is not able to present acceptable proof of residence, as an alternative, current law permits another qualified elector who resides in the same municipality to corroborate the information contained in the individual's registration form or certification. The corroborating elector must then provide acceptable proof of residence.

This bill requires every elector who registers to vote to provide a driver's license number from a valid Wisconsin driver's license, or if the elector does not have a driver's license, the last four digits of the elector's social security number. If the elector does not have either a driver's license or a social security number, the bill requires the elector to obtain a voting identification number from the state Elections Board ~~to provide that number~~ *assign supplemental identifying numbers or a registration identification number to the elector*

or if the elector provides only the last 4 digits of a social security number

IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED TO VOTE

With certain limited exceptions, before being permitted to vote at any polling place, an elector currently must provide his or her name and address. If registration is required in order to vote and the elector is not registered, the elector must provide a specified form of proof of residence in order to register. If an elector claims to be registered but his or her name does not appear on the appropriate registration list, the elector must complete a certification of eligibility and present acceptable proof of residence in order to vote. In addition, an elector may be required to provide acceptable proof of residence even if registration is not required. If an elector is not able to present any required proof of residence, as an alternative, current law permits another qualified elector who resides in the same municipality to corroborate the elector's information.

This bill provides that if an elector other than a military or overseas elector, as defined by federal law, registers to vote by mail and has never voted in a federal election in this state, the elector must provide a form of identification specified by federal law in order to be permitted to vote in a federal election. The form of identification used must be either 1) a current and valid piece of identification containing a photograph of the elector; or 2) a copy of a utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or a check or other document issued by a unit of government that shows the current name and address of the elector. If the elector votes by absentee ballot, the elector must provide a copy of any identification used. If an elector who votes at a polling place is required to provide identification and fails to do so or fails to provide sufficient identification, the elector may vote provisionally. If an elector who fails to

The bill also requires any individual who provides voting assistance to a disabled elector to provide acceptable proof of his or her own residence. Currently there is no such requirement. JTK:cs:ch

provide required identification or sufficient identification votes by absentee ballot, the ballot is treated as a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot is marked by the poll workers, who immediately contact the municipal clerk. The clerk is then directed to determine whether the individual submitting the ballot is a qualified elector where he or she is attempting to vote. If the clerk does not notify the municipal board of canvassers that the elector is qualified before the municipal canvass is completed, the elector's vote is not counted.

COMPLIANCE WITH HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT

Currently, an elector who believes that the action or inaction of an election official concerning nominations, qualification of candidates, voting qualifications, ward division and numbering, recall, ballot preparation, election administration, or the conduct of elections is contrary to law or that the actions or inactions of an election official with respect to any such matter constitute an abuse of discretion, may file a complaint with the Elections Board and the board may order appropriate relief. The decision of the board may be appealed to the courts. Any elector who believes that an election official is acting in violation of the law may request the appropriate district attorney or, in some cases, the attorney general to petition a court for appropriate relief. However, the recount procedure is the exclusive judicial remedy for addressing any alleged irregularity, defect, or mistake committed during the voting or canvassing process.

This bill creates another procedure for addressing alleged noncompliance with any provision of the federal Help America Vote Act relating to voting system standards, provisional voting, voting information, registration procedure and administration, and voter identification. Under the bill, whenever any person (whether an individual or another entity and whether inside or outside this state) believes that a violation of the act has occurred, is occurring, or is proposed to occur with respect to an election for national office in this state, that person may file a written, sworn complaint with the Elections Board. The board must grant the complainant a formal hearing and must issue a decision on the complaint, together with an order for any appropriate relief, within 89 days. ~~In its order, the board may direct the reopening of a canvass and if the results of the new canvass so require, may withdraw a certificate of election and issue a new certificate. The board's decision is subject to appeal in the courts. Under the U.S. Constitution, Congress retains final authority to determine the results of elections for national office.~~

Under the bill, the relief may not include any order affecting the right of any person to hold an elective office or affecting the canvass of an election on or after the date of that election.

VOTING PROCESS

Standards for determining validity of votes

Currently, state law specifies in detail whether particular indications of elector intent shall be counted as votes cast for particular candidates or propositions. The standards for determining the validity of votes are to some degree applicable to votes cast using electronic voting systems. This bill directs the Elections Board to prescribe, by rule, uniform standards for determining the validity of votes cast or attempted to be cast with each electronic voting system that the board approves for use in this state. The rules apply only in situations that are not addressed under current law.

Federal absentee ballot procedures

Currently, when a uniformed service or overseas voter (as defined by federal law) requests an absentee ballot in a timely manner, the voter is sent an absentee ballot for the next election. Under this bill, such a voter may request and receive an absentee ballot for the next two general (national) elections at the same time, unless the voter is subject to a registration requirement and the voter is no longer registered to vote in this state at the time that an absentee ballot would otherwise be transmitted.

The bill also provides that if any municipal clerk or board of election commissioners rejects a request for an absentee ballot from a uniformed service or overseas voter, the clerk or board must promptly inform the voter of the reason for the rejection.

Voting after hours pursuant to federal court order

This bill provides that if a federal court orders that a polling place remain open after the official closing hour of 8 p.m., any electors who vote after hours must vote by ballot and have their ballots marked. The late ballots are then counted unless the court order is overturned. If the order is overturned after the canvass of the election, the bill requires the canvass to be reopened. The bill also requires the Elections Board to maintain a toll-free information system under which electors who vote pursuant to a federal court order may ascertain the status of their votes.

Protection and advocacy activities

Under current law, the state protection and advocacy agency implements a system to protect and advocate for the rights of persons with developmental disabilities or mental illness.

The bill authorizes the protection and advocacy agency to engage in activities to ensure full participation in the electoral process for eligible electors with developmental disabilities or mental illness and requires the Department of Health and Family Services to distribute federal funding to the agency for these activities.

REVISION OF REGISTRATION LIST

Under current law, municipalities must use either a "negative purge" or a "positive purge" system to maintain their voter registration lists. Under the negative purge procedure, an elector who does not vote for a four-year period and does not respond to a notice by requesting continuation of his or her registration is purged from the list. Under the positive purge procedure, the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners sends a registration verification notice to each elector who does not vote for a four-year period. Each elector whose notice is returned as undeliverable is purged from the list. This bill deletes the "positive purge" procedure.

ELECTION ADMINISTRATION ENHANCEMENT***Federal and state financial assistance***

Under the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002, this state is eligible to receive federal financial assistance for the purchase of voting equipment, compliance with federal requirements for the conduct of federal elections and other election administration costs, construction of barrier-free polling places, and outreach and training of election officials to enable greater participation of individuals with

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disabilities in federal elections. To be eligible for federal assistance, this state must make a matching contribution equal to at least 5% of the amount of assistance received.

This bill appropriates to the Elections Board all amounts received by this state from the federal government under this act, together with a sum sufficient amount from general purpose revenue to enable this state to meet minimum federal requirements for continued eligibility for federal assistance. The bill ~~directs~~ (the board to use a portion of the federal aid to provide financial assistance to eligible counties and municipalities for election administration purposes authorized by federal law. The bill also establishes a segregated fund, as required by federal law, for disbursement of all federal and state moneys to be expended for election administration purposes under the Help America Vote Act.

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Federal and state advisory bodies

In accordance with the Help America Vote Act, the bill creates an Election Administration Council whose members are appointed by the executive director of the board to develop and revise as necessary a proposed state plan for the expenditure of federal moneys under the Help America Vote Act. The bill also directs the board to adopt this plan and revise the plan as necessary. In addition, the bill directs the executive director, in consultation with the Elections Board, to appoint a representative of this state as a member of the federal Election Assistance Commission standards board, and to ~~conduct and~~ supervise the ~~election~~ ~~administration~~ ~~election~~ ~~by~~ ~~representatives~~ of county and municipal clerks and boards of election commissioners in this state) to serve as a member of the standards board.

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This bill permits the Elections Board, with the assistance of county and municipal clerks, to conduct or prescribe requirements for educational programs to inform electors about voting procedures, voting rights, and voting technology. However, the bill requires the board to conduct an educational program for the specific purpose of educating electors who cast paper ballots, ballots that are counted at a central counting location, and absentee ballots of the effect of casting excess votes for an office. The bill also permits the board, with the assistance of county and municipal clerks, to maintain one or more toll-free telephone lines for electors to report possible voting fraud and voting rights violations, to obtain general election information and to access information concerning their registration status, current polling place locations, and other information relevant to voting in elections.

~~However~~ the bill requires the ~~board~~ to maintain a toll-free information system under which ~~voters~~ who vote pursuant to a federal court order after a polling place is scheduled to close may ascertain the status of their voters.

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Instructions for absentee voters

The bill directs the Elections Board to prescribe uniform instructions for absentee voters. The instructions must include information concerning the procedure for correcting errors in marking a ballot and obtaining a replacement for a spoiled ballot.

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Electronic voting system standards

Effective on January 1, 2006, the bill creates new standards for approval by the Elections Board of electronic voting systems for use at elections in this state. Under the bill, all electronic voting systems must enable an elector to privately verify the votes selected by the elector before casting his or her ballot, they must provide the elector with an opportunity to change his or her votes or to obtain a replacement for a spoiled ballot before casting his or her vote, and, unless a ballot is counted at a central counting location, they must include a mechanism for notifying an elector of an overvote for an office and provide an opportunity for the elector to correct his or her ballot or to cast a replacement ballot to eliminate the overvote. The system must also produce a permanent paper record of the vote cast by each elector who uses an electronic voting system at the time the elector casts his or her vote that enables a manual count or recount of the elector's vote.

Enforcement of federal voting system standards

Effective on January 1, 2006, the bill directs the Elections Board to audit the performance of each voting system used in this state, including any paper ballot voting system, following each general election. In the audit, the board must determine the error rate of the system in counting ballots that are validly cast by electors. If the error rate exceeds the rate permitted by the federal government, the bill directs the board to take remedial action and to order affected counties and municipalities to take remedial action. The bill requires counties and municipalities to comply with remedial orders.

Polling place accessibility, equipment and materials

Currently, each polling place in the state is required to be accessible to elderly and handicapped individuals, unless the Elections Board otherwise permits in accordance with guidelines prescribed by rule. This bill requires, effective January 1, 2006, that each polling place in the state be accessible to all physically disabled individuals. The bill also directs the board to ensure that the voting system used at each polling place allows all such individuals to vote without the need for assistance and with the same degree of privacy that is accorded to nondisabled electors voting at the same polling place. In any jurisdiction that is currently subject to federal requirements to provide voting materials in any language other than English, the board must ensure that the voting system used at each polling place in the jurisdiction is in compliance with those requirements. In addition, the bill deletes the authority of the board to waive compliance with accessibility requirements.

Notices posted at polling places

Currently, municipalities are required to post at each polling place relevant voting instructions, a copy of state election fraud laws, two sample ballots, special information concerning voting at partisan primaries, and other information directed to be posted by the Elections Board. This bill requires, in addition, that municipalities post information concerning the date of the election, the hours during which the polling place is open, special instructions for electors who are voting for the first time after registering to vote, and general information prescribed by the

board concerning voting rights under applicable state and federal laws and federal laws relating to election fraud and misrepresentation in elections.

Statistical reports

This bill requires each municipal clerk and board of election commissioners to report to the ~~federal Election Assistance Commission~~, within 90 days after each general election, the number of absentee ballots transmitted to absent uniformed services and overseas voters, as defined by federal law, for that election and the combined number of those ballots that were cast by those electors in that election. Currently, there is no similar requirement.

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The bill then directs the board, within 90 days after each general election, to

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

1 SECTION 1. 5.02 (6m) of the statutes is created to read:

2 5.02 (6m) "Identification" means:

3 (a) In the case of an elector who votes in person, either of the following:

4 1. A current and valid piece of identification containing a photograph of the
5 elector.

6 2. A copy of a utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or a check or other
7 document issued by a unit of government that shows the current name and address
8 of the elector.

9 (b) In the case of an elector who votes by absentee ballot, either of the following:

10 1. A copy of a current and valid piece of identification containing a photograph
11 of the elector.

12 2. A copy of a utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or a check or other
13 document issued by a unit of government that shows the current name and address
14 of the elector.

15 SECTION 2. 5.02 (17) of the statutes is amended to read:

information received from municipal clerks and boards of election and transmitted to the
compiled information to the Federal Election Assistance Commission.

1 5.02 (17) "Registration list" means the list of electors who are properly
2 registered to vote ~~in municipalities in which registration is required.~~

3 **SECTION 3.** 5.02 (24w) of the statutes is created to read:

4 5.02 (24w) "Voting system" means:

5 (a) The total combination of mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic
6 equipment, including the software, hardware, and documentation required to
7 program, control, and support the equipment, that is used to define ballots, to cast
8 and count votes, to report or display election results, and to maintain and produce
9 any audit trail information.

10 (b) The practices and associated documentation for any of the following
11 purposes:

- 12 1. To identify equipment components and versions of such components.
- 13 2. To test the equipment during its development and maintenance.
- 14 3. To maintain records of equipment errors and defects.
- 15 4. To determine specific equipment changes to be made after the initial
16 qualification of the equipment.
- 17 5. To make available any materials to an elector.

18 **SECTION 4.** 5.05 (10) and (11) of the statutes are created to read:

19 **5.05 (10) STATE ELECTION ADMINISTRATION PLAN.** With the assistance of the
20 election administration council, the board shall adopt and modify as necessary a
21 state plan that meets the requirements of P.L. 107-252 to enable participation by
22 this state in federal financial assistance programs authorized under that law. The
23 board shall adopt the plan and any modifications only after publishing a class I notice
24 under ch. 985 or posting on the Internet a statement describing the proposed plan
25 or modification and receiving public comment thereon.

1 (11) AIDS TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES. From the appropriations under s.
2 20.510 (1) (t), (v), and (w), the board ^{may} shall provide financial assistance to eligible
3 counties and municipalities for election administration costs in accordance with the
4 plan adopted under sub. (10). As a condition precedent to receipt of assistance under
5 this subsection, the board shall enter into an agreement with the county or
6 municipality receiving the assistance specifying the intended use of the assistance
7 and shall ensure compliance with the terms of the agreement. Each agreement shall
8 provide that if the federal government objects to the use of any assistance moneys
9 provided to the county or municipality under the agreement, the county or
10 municipality shall repay the amount of the assistance provided to the board.

11 SECTION 5. 5.05 (12) and (13) of the statutes are created to read:

12 5.05 (12) VOTER EDUCATION. The board may conduct or prescribe requirements
13 for educational programs to inform electors about voting procedures, voting rights,
14 and voting technology. The board shall conduct an educational program for the
15 purpose of educating electors who cast paper ballots, ballots that are counted at a
16 central counting location, and absentee ballots of the effect of casting excess votes for
17 a single office.

18 (13) TOLL-FREE ELECTION INFORMATION EXCHANGE. ^(a) The board may maintain one
19 or more toll-free telephone lines for electors to report possible voting fraud and
20 voting rights violations, to obtain general election information, and to access
21 information concerning their registration status, current polling place locations, and
22 other information relevant to voting in elections. ^(b) The board ^{may} shall maintain a
23 toll-free information system under which an elector who votes under s. 6.96 or 6.97
24 may ascertain current information concerning whether the elector's vote has been
25 counted, and, if the vote will not be counted, the reason that it will not be counted.

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SECTION 6. 5.055 of the statutes is created to read:

5.055 Election assistance commission standards board. The executive director of the board shall, in consultation with the board, appoint an individual to represent this state as a member of the federal election assistance commission standards board. The executive director shall also conduct and supervise a process for the ^{selection} ~~election~~ of an election official by county and municipal clerks and boards of election commissioners to represent local election officials of this state as a member of the federal election assistance commission standards board. The executive director shall ensure that the members of the federal election assistance commission standards board representing this state shall at no time be members of the same political party. Upon appointment or election of any new member of the federal election assistance commission standards board representing this state, the executive director shall transmit a notice ~~to the chair of the federal election commission~~ of that member's appointment or election ^{to the officer or agency designated by federal law}.

SECTION 7. 5.061 of the statutes is created to read:

5.061 Compliance with federal Help America Vote Act. (1) Whenever any person believes that a violation of Title III of P.L. 107-252 has occurred, is occurring, or is proposed to occur with respect to an election for national office in this state, that person may file a written, verified complaint with the board.

(2) If the board receives more than one complaint under sub. (1) relating to the same subject matter, the board may consolidate the complaints for purposes of this section.

(3) ~~The~~ ^{under sub. (1)} complainant ^{or} any of the complainants in a consolidated complaint ^{under sub. (2) ✓} may request a hearing and the matter shall be treated as a contested case under ch. 227, except that the board shall make a final determination with respect to the merits

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1 of the complaint and issue a decision within 89 days of the time that the complaint
 2 or the earliest of any consolidated complaints was filed, unless the complainant, or
 3 each of any ~~consolidated~~ complainants, ^{whose complaints are consolidated} consents to a specified longer period.

4 (4) If the board finds the complaint to be without merit, it shall issue a decision
 5 dismissing the complaint. If the board finds that the violation alleged in the

6 complaint has occurred, is occurring, or is proposed to occur, the board shall order
 7 appropriate relief. ~~If the board finds that the relief requires that the canvass of an~~
 8 ~~election be reopened, the board shall order the canvass to be reopened. Upon~~
 9 ~~completion of the repair of canvass, the chairperson of the board or the chairperson's~~
 10 ~~designee shall issue a revised statement and determination with respect to the~~
 11 ~~canvass, and shall withdraw any certificate of election that was improperly issued~~
 12 ~~and issue a corrected certificate of election.~~

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except that the board shall not issue any order under this subsection affecting the right of any person to hold an elective office or affecting the canvass of an election on or after the date of that election.

13 SECTION 8. 5.25 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

14 5.25 (4) (a) Each polling place shall be accessible to elderly and handicapped
 15 all physically disabled individuals. The board shall ensure that the voting system
 16 used at each polling place will permit all physically disabled individuals to vote
 17 without the need for assistance and with the same degree of privacy that is accorded
 18 to nondisabled electors voting at the same polling place. In any jurisdiction that is
 19 subject to the requirement under 42 USC 1973aa-1a to provide voting materials in
 20 any language other than English, the board shall ensure that the voting system used
 21 at each polling place in that jurisdiction is in compliance with 42 USC 1973aa-1a.

22 SECTION 9. 5.25 (4) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

23 SECTION 10. 5.35 (6) (a) 2m., 4., 4a. and 4b. of the statutes are created to read:

24 5.35 (6) (a) 2m. General information prescribed by the board on federal laws
 25 relating to election fraud and misrepresentation in federal elections.

1 4. The date of the election and the hours during which the polling place is open.

2 4a. Instructions prescribed by the board for electors who are voting for the first
3 time after registering to vote.

4 4b. General information prescribed by the board concerning voting rights
5 under applicable state and federal laws, including the method of redress for any
6 alleged violations of those rights.

7 **SECTION 11.** 5.40 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 5.40 (6) A municipality which utilizes voting machines or an electronic voting
9 system at a polling place may permit use of the machines or system by electors voting
10 under s. 6.15 only as authorized under s. 6.15 (3) (b).

11 **SECTION 12.** 5.55 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 **5.55 (title) ~~Ballet identification~~ Identifying information on ballots.**

13 **SECTION 13.** 5.87 of the statutes is renumbered 5.87 (1).

14 **SECTION 14.** 5.87 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

15 5.87 (2) The board shall, by rule, prescribe uniform standards for determining
16 the validity of votes cast or attempted to be cast with each electronic voting system
17 approved for use in this state under s. 5.91. The rules shall apply only to situations
18 that may arise in which the validity of a vote or attempted vote cast by an elector
19 utilizing a particular system cannot be determined under s. 7.50.

20 **SECTION 15.** 5.91 (15) to (18) of the statutes are created to read:

21 5.91 (15) It permits an elector to privately verify the votes selected by the
22 elector before casting his or her ballot.

23 (16) It provides an elector with the opportunity to change his or her votes and
24 to correct any error or to obtain a replacement for a spoiled ballot prior to casting his
25 or her ballot.

1 (17) Unless the ballot is counted at a central counting location, it includes a
2 mechanism for notifying an elector who attempts to cast an excess number of votes
3 for a single office that his or her votes for that office will not be counted, and provides
4 the elector with an opportunity to correct his or her ballot or to receive and cast a
5 replacement ballot.

6 (18) It produces a permanent paper record of the vote cast by each elector at
7 the time that it is cast that enables a manual count or recount of the elector's vote.

8 SECTION 16. 6.06 of the statutes is created to read:

9 **6.06 Information for uniformed service members.** The board is the
10 agency designated by this state under 42 USC 1973ff-1 to provide information
11 regarding voter registration and absentee balloting procedures to absent members
12 of the uniformed services and overseas voters with respect to elections for national
13 office.

14 SECTION 17. 6.15 (2) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 6.15 (2) (title) ~~APPLICATION FOR BALLOT~~ PROCEDURE AT CLERK'S OFFICE.

16 SECTION 18. 6.15 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.15 (2) (a) (intro.) The elector's request for the application form may be made
18 to the proper municipal clerk either in person or in writing ~~any time during the~~
19 ~~10-day period in which the elector's residence requirement is incomplete, but not~~
20 ~~later than the applicable deadline for making application for an absentee ballot.~~
21 Application may be made not sooner than 9 days nor later than 5 p.m. on the day
22 before the election, or may be made at the proper polling place in the ward or election
23 district in which the elector resides. If the ballot is to be mailed, the application must
24 be received no later than 5 p.m. on the Friday before the election. The application
25 form shall be returned to the municipal clerk after the affidavit has been signed in

1 the presence of the clerk or any officer authorized by law to administer oaths. The
2 affidavit shall be in substantially the following form:

3 **SECTION 19.** 6.15 (2) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

4 6.15 (2) (bm) When making application at the office of the municipal clerk, each
5 applicant shall provide acceptable proof of residence under s. 6.55 (7). If the
6 applicant cannot provide acceptable proof of residence, the applicant may have his
7 or her residence corroborated by another elector of the municipality. The
8 corroborating elector shall then provide acceptable proof of residence under s. 6.55
9 (7).

10 **SECTION 20.** 6.15 (2) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

11 6.15 (2) (e) The elector makes application in writing but does not appear in
12 person, and the clerk receives a properly completed application and cancellation card
13 from the elector, the clerk shall provide the elector with a ballot. In order to be
14 counted, the ballot must be received by the municipal clerk no later than 5 p.m. on
15 the day before the election.

16 **SECTION 21.** 6.15 (3) (a) (title) of the statutes is repealed.

17 **SECTION 22.** 6.15 (3) (a) 1., 2. and 3. of the statutes are renumbered 6.15 (2) (d)
18 1r., 2. and 3., and 6.15 (2) (d) 1r., as renumbered, is amended to read:

19 6.15 (2) (d) 1r. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card,
20 the municipal clerk shall ~~inform the elector that he or she may vote for the~~
21 ~~presidential electors not sooner than 9 days nor later than 5 p.m. on the day before~~
22 ~~the election at the office of the municipal clerk, or at a specified polling place on~~
23 ~~election day. When voting at the municipal clerk's office, the applicant shall provide~~
24 ~~identification and require the elector to provide acceptable proof of residence under~~
25 s. 6.55 (7). If the elector cannot provide acceptable proof of residence, the elector may

1 have his or her residence corroborated by another elector of the municipality. If the
2 residence is corroborated by another elector, that elector shall then provide proof of
3 residence under s. 6.55 (7). The elector shall then mark the ballot in the clerk's
4 presence in a manner that will not disclose his or her vote. Unless the ballot is
5 utilized with an electronic voting system, the applicant elector shall fold the ballot
6 so as to conceal his or her vote. The applicant ^{clerk or} elector shall then deposit the ballot
7 and seal it in ^{place the ballot in} an envelope furnished by the clerk.

8 SECTION 23. 6.15 (3) (b) (title) of the statutes is repealed.

9 SECTION 24. 6.15 (3) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 6.15 (3) and amended to
10 read:

11 6.15 (3) ~~VOTING PROCEDURE~~ PROCEDURE AT POLLING PLACE. An eligible elector
12 may appear at the polling place for the ward or election district where he or she
13 resides and make application for a ballot under sub. (2). ~~In such case, the inspector~~
14 ~~or special registration deputy~~ Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an
15 elector who casts a ballot under this subsection shall follow the same procedure
16 required for casting a ballot at the municipal clerk's office under sub. (2). The
17 inspectors shall perform the duties of the municipal clerk. The elector shall provide
18 identification. If the elector is qualified, he or she shall be permitted to vote, except
19 that the inspectors shall return the cancellation card under sub. (2) (b) to the
20 municipal clerk and the clerk shall forward the card as provided in sub. (2) (c) if
21 required. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card and
22 submittal of acceptable proof of residence under s. 6.55 (7) or providing corroboration
23 of residence, the inspectors shall permit the elector to cast his or her ballot for
24 president and vice president. The elector shall mark the ballot and, unless the ballot
25 is utilized with an electronic voting system, the elector shall fold the ballot, and shall

1 deposit the ballot into the ballot box or give it to the inspector. The inspector shall
2 deposit it directly into the ballot box. Voting machines or ballots utilized with
3 electronic voting systems may only be used by electors voting under this section if
4 they permit voting for president and vice president only.

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5 SECTION 25. 6.20 of the statutes is amended to read:

6 **6.20 Absent electors.** Any qualified elector of this state who registers where
7 required may vote by absentee ballot under ss. 6.84 to 6.89.

8 SECTION 26. 6.24 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 6.24 (3) REGISTRATION. ~~If registration is required in the municipality where the~~
10 The overseas elector resided or where the elector's parent resided, the elector shall
11 register in the municipality where he or she was last domiciled or where the overseas
12 elector's parent was last domiciled on a form prescribed by the board designed to
13 ascertain the elector's qualifications under this section. The form shall be
14 substantially similar to the original form under s. 6.33 (1), insofar as applicable.
15 Registration shall be accomplished in accordance with s. 6.30 (4).

16 SECTION 27. 6.24 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.24 (4) (a) An overseas elector who is properly registered ~~where registration~~
18 ~~is required~~ may request an absentee ballot in writing under ss. 6.86 to 6.89.

19 SECTION 28. 6.24 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 6.24 (4) (c) Upon receipt of a timely application from an individual who
21 qualifies as an overseas elector and who has registered to vote in a municipality
22 under sub. (3) ~~whenever registration is required in that municipality,~~ the municipal
23 clerk of the municipality shall send an absentee ballot to the individual for all
24 subsequent elections for national office to be held during the year in which the ballot

1 is requested, unless the individual otherwise requests or until the individual no
2 longer qualifies as an overseas elector.

3 SECTION 29. 6.24 (8) of the statutes is repealed.

4 SECTION 30. 6.27 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 6.27 and amended to read:

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

9 SECTION 31. 6.27 (2) to (5) of the statutes are repealed.

10 SECTION 32. 6.276 of the statutes is created to read:

11 **6.276 Federal absentee voting statistics.** (1) In this section, "military
12 elector" and "overseas elector" have the meanings given in s. 6.36 (2) (c).

13 (2) Within ⁷⁰~~90~~ days after each general election, each municipal clerk shall
14 transmit to the ^{board}~~federal Election Assistance Commission~~ a report of the number of
15 absentee ballots transmitted by the clerk to absent military electors and overseas
16 electors for that election and the combined number of those ballots that were cast by
17 those electors in that election.

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(2) SECTION 33. 6.28 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 6.28 (2) (b) The municipal clerk of each municipality ~~in which elector~~
20 ~~registration is required~~ shall notify the school board of each school district in which
21 the municipality is located that high schools shall be used for registration pursuant
22 to par. (a). The school board and the municipal clerk shall agree upon the
23 appointment of at least one qualified elector at each high school as a special school
24 registration deputy. The municipal clerk shall appoint such person as a school
25 registration deputy and explain the person's duties and responsibilities. Students

1 and staff may register at the high school on any day that classes are regularly held.
2 The school registration deputies shall promptly forward properly completed
3 registration forms to the municipal clerk of the municipality in which the registering
4 student or staff member resides. The municipal clerk, upon receiving such
5 registration forms, shall add all those registering electors who have met the
6 registration requirements to the registration list. The municipal clerk may reject
7 any registration form and shall promptly notify the person whose registration is
8 rejected of the rejection and the reason therefor. A person whose registration is
9 rejected may reapply for registration if he or she is qualified. The form of each high
10 school student who is qualified and will be eligible to vote at the next election shall
11 be filed in such a way that when a student attains the age of 18 years the student is
12 registered to vote automatically. Each school board shall assure that the principal
13 of every high school communicates elector registration information to students.

14 SECTION 34. 6.28 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

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

23 SECTION 35. 6.285 of the statutes is created to read:

24 6.285 Registration identification numbers; supplemental identifiers.

25 (1) ^{Upon registration of any elector} ~~The board shall assign a unique registration identification number to each~~

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~~person~~ who does not have either a valid Wisconsin driver's license or a social security account number, ^{the board shall assign a unique registration identification number to that elector} ~~upon request of that elector~~

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(3) The board shall ensure that each municipal clerk receiving a request from an elector who qualifies for a registration identification number under sub. (1), or who submits the last 4 digits of a social security account number is able to obtain the number or supplemental identification electronically as a part of the system maintained by the board under s. 6.36 (1).

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SECTION 36. 6.29 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

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6.29 (2) (a) Any qualified elector of a municipality where registration is required who has not previously filed a registration form or whose name does not appear on the registration list of the municipality shall be entitled to vote at the election if he or she delivers to the municipal clerk may register after the close of registration but not later than 5 p.m. of the day before an election at the office of the

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municipal clerk. ^{and at the office of the clerk's agent if the clerk delegates} The elector shall complete, in the manner provided under s. 6.33

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(2), a registration form executed by the elector. The form shall contain a certification by the elector that all statements are true and correct. Alternatively, if the elector cannot obtain a registration form, the elector may deliver a statement, signed by the elector, containing all of the information required on the registration form containing all information required under s. 6.33 (1). The elector shall present also provide acceptable proof of residence as provided in under s. 6.55 (7). If no proof is presented Alternatively, if the elector is unable to provide acceptable proof of residence under s.

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1 ~~6.55 (7), the information contained in the registration form or the listing of required~~
 2 ~~information shall be substantiated corroborated in a statement that is signed by one~~
 3 ~~any other elector of the municipality, corroborating all the material statements~~
 4 ~~therein and that contains the current street address of the corroborating elector. The~~
 5 ~~corroborating elector shall then provide acceptable proof of residence under s. 6.55~~
 6 ~~(7). The signing of the form by the registering elector and statement by the~~
 7 ~~corroborating elector shall be done in the presence of the municipal clerk or deputy~~
 8 ~~clerk not later than 5 p.m. of the day before an election.~~

9 SECTION 37. 6.29 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 6.29 (2) (b) ~~Upon~~ Unless the municipal clerk determines that the registration
 11 list will be revised to incorporate the registration in time for the election, upon the
 12 filing of the registration form required by this section, the municipal clerk ^{or clerk's agent under s.} shall issue
 13 a certificate containing the name and address of the elector addressed to the ^{6.33} inspectors of the proper ward ^{(5) (6)} or election district directing that the elector be
 14 permitted to cast his or her vote, unless the clerk determines that the registration
 15 list will be revised to incorporate the registration in time for the election if the elector
 16 complies with all requirements for voting at the polling place. The certificate shall
 17 be numbered serially, prepared in duplicate and one copy preserved in the office of
 18 the municipal clerk.

19 SECTION 38. 6.33 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 **6.33 (title) Registration forms; manner of completing.**

21 SECTION 39. 6.33 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 6.33 (1) The municipal clerk shall supply sufficient registration forms as
 23 prescribed by the board printed on loose-leaf sheets or cards to obtain from each
 24 applicant information as to name,; date,; residence location,; citizenship,; age,; the
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1 number of a valid operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343 ^{or} the last 4
 2 digits of the elector's social security account number ~~and any residential~~ ^{delete comma}

3 ~~identification assigned under s. 6.283 (2) or the registration identification number~~

4 ~~issued to the elector under s. 6.283~~; whether the applicant has resided within the

5 ward or election district for at least 10 days; whether the applicant has lost his or

6 her right to vote; and whether the applicant is currently registered to vote at any

7 other location, and. The forms shall also provide a space for the applicant's signature

8 and the ward and aldermanic district, if any, where the elector resides. The forms

9 shall also include a space for the identification serial number of any elector who is

10 issued such a number under s. 6.47 (3) where the clerk may record an indication of

11 whether the form is received by mail and a space where the clerk, for any applicant

12 who possesses a valid voting identification card issued to the person under s. 6.47 (3),

13 may record the identification serial number appearing on the voting identification

14 card. Each register of deeds shall obtain sufficient registration forms at the expense

15 of the unit of government by which he or she is employed for completion by any elector

16 who desires to register to vote at the office of the register of deeds under s. 6.28 (3).

17 SECTION 40. 6.33 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 6.33 (2) (a) The All information may be recorded by any person, but the except

19 that the ward and aldermanic district, if any, and the indication of whether the

20 registration is received by mail and any information relating to an applicant's voting

21 identification card shall be recorded by the clerk. Each applicant shall sign his or

22 her own name unless the applicant is unable to sign his or her name due to physical

23 disability. In such case, the applicant may authorize another elector to sign the form

24 on his or her behalf. If the applicant so authorizes, the elector signing the form shall

25 attest to a statement that the application is made upon request and by authorization

1 of a named elector who is unable to sign the form due to physical disability, ~~Ward and~~
2 ~~aldermanic district information shall be filled in by the clerk.~~

3 (b) Except as provided under ~~ss. 6.30 (4) and in s. 6.86 (3)-(a) 2.~~, the registration
4 form shall be signed by the registering elector and any corroborating elector under
5 s. 6.29 (2) (a) or 6.55 (2) before the clerk, issuing officer or registration deputy. The
6 form shall contain a certification by the registering elector that all statements are
7 true and correct.

8 SECTION 41. 6.33 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

9 ~~6.33 (5) Whenever a municipal clerk receives a valid registration or valid~~
10 ~~change of a name or address under an existing registration and whenever a~~
11 ~~municipal clerk cancels a registration, the municipal clerk shall promptly enter~~
12 ~~electronically on the list maintained by the board under s. 6.36 (1) the information~~
13 ~~required under that subsection.~~

14 SECTION 42. 6.35 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

15 SECTION 43. 6.35 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.35 (3) ~~In municipalities employing data processing for keeping of registration~~
17 ~~records, original~~ Original registration records shall be maintained in the office of the
18 municipal clerk or board of election commissioners at all times.

19 SECTION 44. 6.35 (5) and (6) of the statutes are repealed.

20 SECTION 45. 6.36 (1) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

21 6.36 (1) (a) The board shall compile and maintain electronically an official
22 registration list. The list shall contain the name and address of each registered
23 elector in the state, the ward and aldermanic district of the elector, if any, and, for
24 each elector, the number of a valid operator's license issued to the elector under ch.
25 343, the last 4 digits of the elector's social security account number and any

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1 supplemental identification assigned under s. 6.285 (2), or the registration
 2 identification number issued to the elector under s. 6.285 and any ^{identification} information
 3 ~~required under paragraph (a).~~ *Serial number issued to the elector under s. 6.147(3)*
 4 (b) ~~Except for the addresses of electors who obtain a confidential listing under~~
 5 ~~s. 6.147(2),~~ the list shall be open to public inspection under s. 19.35 (1) and shall be
 6 electronically accessible by any person, ^{except that:} *an employee of* person other than the board, a
 7 municipal clerk, or an election official who is authorized by a municipal clerk may
 8 make a change in the list. ^{2.} *(b. No)* The list shall be electronically accessible by name and shall
 9 also be accessible in alphabetical order of the electors' names for the entire state and
 10 for each county, municipality, ward, and combination of wards authorized under s.
 11 5.15 (6) (b).

12 (c) The list shall be designed in such a way that the municipal clerk ^{or board of election commissioners} of any
 13 municipality and any election official who is authorized by the clerk ^{or executive director} may, by
 14 electronic transmission, add, revise, or remove entries on the list for any elector who ^{of}
 15 resides in, or who the list identifies as residing in, that municipality and no other ^{The}
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17 (d) ~~The board shall not make any changes in entries to the registration list~~
 18 ~~upon receipt of official notification by the appropriate election~~
 19 administrative authority of another state, territory, or possession that an elector
 20 whose name appears on the list has registered to vote in that state, territory, or
 21 possession, the board shall remove the name of that elector from the list.

22 (e) ^{If the board adds the name of any elector to the list, the board shall promptly} If the board removes the name of any elector from the list, the board shall ^{promptly}
 23 promptly notify the municipal clerk of the municipality where the elector resides or ^{notify}
 24 ^{the elector has changed his or her residence from one municipality to another municipality} the municipal ^{the}
 clerk of the municipality where the elector resides. ^{in this state shall promptly notify the municipal clerk of the municipality where the elector resided prior to the change. Notification shall be made}
 clerk of the municipality where the elector resides.

1 (f) The board shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that the list is
2 maintained in a manner that precludes unauthorized persons from making
3 alterations to the list.

4 SECTION 46. 6.36 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.36 (2) (a) Except as provided in ~~par. (b) and (c), the, each~~ registration
6 ~~lists list~~ prepared for use at a polling place shall contain the full name and address
7 of each registered elector; ~~the number of a valid operator's license issued to the~~
8 ~~elector under ch. 343, the last 4 digits of the elector's social security account number~~
9 ~~and any supplemental identification assigned under s. 6.285 (2), or the registration~~
10 ~~identification number issued to the elector under s. 6.285;~~ a blank column for the
11 entry of the serial number of the electors when they vote; if the list is prepared for
12 use at an election for national office, an indication next to the name of each elector
13 for whom identification is required under par. (c) 2.; and a form of a certificate
14 bearing the certification of the executive director of the board stating that each the
15 list is a true and complete combined check and registration list of the respective
16 municipality or the ward or wards for which the list is prepared.

17 SECTION 47. 6.36 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

18 6.36 (2) (c) 1. In this paragraph:

19 a. "Military elector" means a member of a unformed service on active duty who,
20 by reason of that duty, is absent from the residence where the member is otherwise
21 qualified to vote; a member of the merchant marine, as defined in s. 6.22 (1) (a), who
22 by reason of service in the merchant marine, is absent from the residence where the
23 member is otherwise qualified to vote; or the spouse or dependent of any such
24 member who, by reason of the duty or service of the member, is absent from the
25 residence where the spouse or dependent is otherwise qualified to vote.

1 b. "Overseas elector" means an elector who resides outside the United States
2 and who is qualified under federal law to vote in elections for national office in this
3 state because the elector was last domiciled in this state immediately prior to the
4 elector's departure from the United States.

5 2. If the registration list is prepared for use at an election for national office,
6 the list shall contain, next to the name of each elector, an indication of whether
7 identification is required for the elector to be permitted to vote. Identification is
8 required if the elector is not a military elector or an overseas elector and the elector
9 registers by mail and has not previously voted in an election for national office in this
10 state.

11 **SECTION 48.** 6.36 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 6.36 (3) ~~Municipalities shall prepare at least 2 copies of the registration list for~~
13 ~~each ward and bind them in book form.~~ The original registration forms constitute the
14 ~~official registration list and shall be controlling whenever discrepancies occur in~~
15 entering information from the forms under s. 6.33 (5).

16 **SECTION 49.** 6.40 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.40 (2) (b) In addition to the revision which is required under s. 6.50,
18 municipal clerks may conduct door-to-door and mail registration canvasses at any
19 time. The door-to-door canvass shall consist of both the deletion from the
20 registration list of the names of electors who no longer reside at the address for which
21 they are registered and the addition to the registration list of the names of electors
22 who reside at that address. The mail canvass shall consist of the municipal clerk
23 examining the registration records and canceling the registration of electors after
24 the mailing of notices in accordance with s. 6.50 (1) and (2) ~~or (2m)~~. The mail canvass
25 may also consist of adding to the registration list the names of eligible electors. Both

1 door-to-door and mail canvasses whenever made shall be made throughout the
2 municipality in a uniform manner. An elector who wishes to obtain a confidential
3 listing under s. 6.47 (2) shall register at the office of the municipal clerk of the
4 municipality where the elector resides.

5 SECTION 50. 6.47 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.47 (2) Except as authorized in sub. (8), the board, each municipal clerk, and ^{*each agent designated under s. 6.33*} ~~(5)~~

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

20 SECTION 51. 6.47 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 6.47 (3) Upon ~~listing of~~ receiving a valid written request from an elector under
22 sub. (2), the municipal clerk shall issue to the elector a voting identification card on
23 a form prescribed by the board that shall contain the name of the elector's
24 municipality issuing the card of residence and, in the case of a town, the county in
25 which the town is located, the elector's name, the ward in which the elector resides,

1 if any, and a unique identification serial number issued by the board. The number
2 issued to an elector under this subsection shall not be changed for so long as the
3 elector continues to qualify for a listing under sub. (2).

4 SECTION 52. 6.50 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.50 (1) (intro.) Within 90 days following each general election, the municipal
6 clerk or board of election commissioners of each municipality ~~in which registration~~
7 ~~is required~~ shall examine the registration records and identify each elector who has
8 not voted within the previous 4 years if qualified to do so during that entire period
9 and shall mail a notice to the elector in substantially the following form:

10 SECTION 53. 6.50 (2m) of the statutes is repealed.

11 SECTION 54. 6.50 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 6.50 (8) Any municipal governing body may direct the municipal clerk or board
13 of election commissioners to arrange with the U.S. postal service pursuant to
14 applicable federal regulations, to receive change of address information with respect
15 to individuals residing within the municipality for revision of the elector registration
16 list. If required by the U.S. postal service, the governing body may create a
17 registration commission consisting of the municipal clerk or executive director of the
18 board of election commissioners and 2 other electors of the municipality appointed
19 by the clerk or executive director for the purpose of making application for address
20 changes and processing the information received. The municipal clerk or executive
21 director shall act as chairperson of the commission. Any authorization under this
22 subsection shall be for a definite period or until the municipal governing body
23 otherwise determines. The procedure shall apply uniformly to the entire
24 municipality whenever used. The procedure shall provide for receipt of complete
25 change of address information on an automatic basis, or not less often than once

1 every 2 years during the 60 days preceding the close of registration for the September
2 primary. If a municipality adopts the procedure for obtaining address corrections
3 under this subsection, it need not comply with the procedure for mailing address
4 verification cards under subs. (1) and (2) ~~or (2m)~~.

5 SECTION 55. 6.50 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.50 (10) Any elector whose registration is canceled under this section may
7 ~~have his or her registration reinstated by filing a new registration form~~ reregister
8 as provided under s. 6.28 (1), 6.29 (2), or 6.55 (2).

9 SECTION 56. 6.54 of the statutes is repealed.

10 SECTION 57. 6.55 (2) (a) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 6.55 (2) (a) 1. (intro.) Except where the procedure under par. (c) or (cm) is
12 employed, any person who qualifies as an elector in the ward or election district
13 where he or she desires to vote, but has not previously filed a registration form, or
14 was registered at another location ~~in a municipality where registration is required,~~
15 may request permission to vote at the polling place for that ward or election district,
16 or at an alternate polling place assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b). When a proper request
17 is made, the inspector shall require the person to execute a registration form
18 prescribed by the board ~~that.~~ The registration form shall be completed in the manner
19 provided under s. 6.33 (2) and shall contain all information required under s. 6.33
20 (1), together with the following certification:

21 SECTION 58. 6.55 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 6.55 (2) (b) Upon executing the registration form under par. (a), the person
23 ~~elector shall be required by a special registration deputy or inspector to present~~
24 provide the number of a valid operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343
25 or the last 4 digits of the elector's social security account number ~~of the registration~~

1 ~~certification number issued to the elector under s. 6.28(1)~~ The elector shall also
2 provide acceptable proof of residence under sub. (7). If the person elector cannot
3 supply such provide one of the numbers specified in this paragraph and proof of
4 residence, the information contained in the registration form shall be substantiated
5 and signed corroborated in a statement that is signed by one other any elector who
6 resides in the same municipality as the registering elector, corroborating all the
7 material statements therein. The corroborator shall then provide ~~the other numbers~~
8 specified in this paragraph and acceptable proof of residence as provided in sub. (7).

9 The signing by the elector executing the registration form and by any elector who
10 ~~corroborates the information in the form~~ corroborator shall be in the presence of the
11 special registration deputy or inspector. Upon compliance with this procedure, ~~such~~
12 ~~person shall then be given the right to vote~~ the elector shall be permitted to cast his
13 or her vote, if the elector complies with all other requirements for voting at the polling
14 place.

15 SECTION 59. 6.55 (2) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.55 (2) (c) 1. As an alternative to registration at the polling place under pars.
17 (a) and (b), the board of election commissioners, or the governing body of any
18 municipality ~~in which registration is required~~ may by resolution require a person
19 who qualifies as an elector and who is not registered and desires to register on the
20 day of an election to do so at another readily accessible location in the same building
21 as the polling place serving the elector's residence or at an alternate polling place
22 assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b), instead of at the polling place serving the elector's
23 residence. In such case, the municipal clerk shall prominently post a notice of the
24 registration location at the polling place. The municipal clerk, deputy clerk or special
25 registration deputy at the registration location shall require such person to execute

1 a registration form as prescribed under par. (a) and to provide the number of a valid
2 operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343, ^{or} the last 4 digits of the elector's
3 social security account number, ~~or the registration identification number issued to~~
4 the elector under s. 6.285. The elector shall also provide acceptable proof of residence
5 as provided under sub. (7). If the ~~person~~ elector cannot ~~supply such~~ provide one of
6 the numbers specified in this subdivision and acceptable proof of residence, the
7 information contained in the registration form shall be corroborated in the manner
8 provided in par. (b). The signing by the elector executing the registration form and
9 by any ~~corroborating elector~~ corroborator shall be in the presence of the municipal
10 clerk, deputy clerk or special registration deputy. Upon proper completion of
11 registration, the municipal clerk, deputy clerk or special registration deputy shall
12 serially number the registration and give one copy to the elector for presentation at
13 the polling place serving the elector's residence or an alternate polling place assigned
14 under s. 5.25 (5) (b).

15 SECTION 60. 6.55 (2) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.55 (2) (c) 2. Upon compliance with the procedures under subd. 1., the
17 municipal clerk or deputy clerk shall issue a certificate addressed to the inspectors
18 of the proper polling place directing that the elector be permitted to cast his or her
19 vote if the elector complies with all requirements for voting at the polling place. The
20 clerk shall enter the name and address of the elector and the number provided by the
21 elector on the face of the certificate. If the elector's registration is corroborated, the
22 clerk shall also enter the name and address of the corroborator ~~and the number~~
23 ~~provided by the corroborator~~ on the face of the certificate. The certificate shall be
24 numbered serially and prepared in duplicate. The municipal clerk shall preserve one
25 copy in his or her office.

1 SECTION 61. 6.55 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

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

9 SECTION 62. 6.55 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 6.55 (3) Any qualified elector in the ward or election district where the elector
11 desires to vote whose name does not appear on the registration list ~~where~~
12 ~~registration is required~~ but who claims to be registered to vote in the election may
13 request permission to vote at the polling place for that ward or election district.
14 When the request is made, the inspector shall require the person to give his or her
15 name and address. If the elector is not at the polling place which serves the ward or
16 election district where the elector resides, the inspector shall provide the elector with
17 directions to the correct polling place. If the elector is at the correct polling place, the
18 elector shall then execute the following written statement: "I, ..., hereby certify that
19 to the best of my knowledge, I am a qualified elector, having resided at ... for at least
20 10 days immediately preceding this election, and that I am not disqualified on any
21 ground from voting, and I have not voted at this election and am properly registered
22 to vote in this election." The person shall be required to provide the number of a valid
23 operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343 ^{or} the last 4 digits of the elector's
24 social security ^{account} number ~~and the registration identification number issued to the elector~~
25 ~~under s. 6.29(1)~~ The elector shall also provide acceptable proof of residence as

1 provided under sub. (7) and shall then be given the right to vote. If acceptable proof
2 is presented, the elector need not have the information corroborated by any other
3 elector. If acceptable the elector cannot provide one of the numbers specified in this
4 subsection and acceptable proof is not presented of residence, the statement shall be
5 certified by the elector and shall be corroborated in a statement that is signed by
6 another any other elector who resides in the municipality. The corroborator shall
7 then provide ~~one of the numbers specified in this subsection and~~ acceptable proof of
8 residence as provided in sub. (7). Whenever the question of identity or residence
9 cannot be satisfactorily resolved and the elector cannot be permitted to vote, an
10 inspector shall telephone the office of the municipal clerk to reconcile the records at
11 the polling place with those at the office.

12 SECTION 63. 6.55 (7) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 6.55 (7) (a) (intro.) For purposes of this section, ~~a form of identification an~~
14 identifying document constitutes acceptable proof of residence if it includes:

15 SECTION 64. 6.55 (7) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.55 (7) (b) If an elector's address has changed since ~~a piece of identification~~
17 an identifying document was issued, the new information may be typed or printed
18 on the identification document by hand, in ink.

19 SECTION 65. 6.55 (7) (c) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 6.55 (7) (c) (intro.) ~~Forms of identification~~ Identifying documents which
21 constitute acceptable proof of residence under this section, when they contain the
22 information specified in par. (a), include the following:

23 SECTION 66. 6.55 (7) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

24 6.55 (7) (c) 1. ~~A Wisconsin motor vehicle~~ An operator's license issued under ch.
25 343.

1 SECTION 67. 6.55 (7) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

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

4 SECTION 68. 6.55 (7) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 6.55 (7) (d) ~~Forms of identification~~ Identifying documents specified in par. (c)
6 which are valid for use during a specified period shall be valid on the day of an
7 election in order to constitute acceptable proof of residence at that election.

8 SECTION 69. 6.79 (intro.) (except 6.79 (title)) of the statutes is renumbered 6.79
9 (1m) and amended to read:

10 6.79 (1m) SEPARATE POLL LISTS. Two election officials at each election ward shall
11 be in charge of and shall maintain 2 separate poll lists of containing information
12 relating to all persons voting. The municipal clerk may elect to maintain the
13 information on the ~~poll list lists~~ manually or electronically. If the ~~list is~~ lists are
14 maintained electronically, the officials shall enter the information into an electronic
15 data recording system that enables retrieval of ~~a printed copy~~ copies of the poll list
16 lists at the polling place. The system employed is subject to the approval of the board.

17 SECTION 70. 6.79 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

18 SECTION 71. 6.79 (2) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

19 6.79 (2) VOTING PROCEDURE. (a) Unless information on the poll list is entered
20 electronically, the municipal clerk shall supply the inspectors with 2 copies of the
21 most current official registration list or lists prepared under s. 6.36 (1) for use as poll
22 lists at the polling place. Except as provided in sub. (6), each person, before receiving
23 a serial number, shall state his or her full name and address. The officials shall verify
24 that the name and address provided by the person are the same as the person's name
25 and address on the poll list.

1 (b) Upon the poll list, after the name of each elector, the officials shall enter a
 2 serial number for each elector in the order that votes are cast, beginning with
 3 number one. ^(c) The officials shall maintain ~~a~~ ³ separate list for electors who are voting
 4 under s. 6.15, 6.29, or 6.55 (2) or (3) and electors who are reassigned from another
 5 polling place under s. 5.25 (5) (b) and shall enter the full name, address, and serial
 6 number of each of these electors on the appropriate separate list. ^{not} Alternatively, if
 7 ~~the poll list is maintained electronically, the officials may enter on the poll~~
 8 ^(c) If the registration list indicates that identification is required, the officials
 9 shall require the elector to provide identification. If identification is provided, the
 10 officials shall verify that any photograph reasonably resembles the elector or that the
 11 name and address on the identification provided is the same as the name and address
 12 shown on the registration list. If identification is required and not provided or if the
 13 document that is provided cannot be verified by the officials, the officials shall offer
 14 the opportunity for the elector to vote under s. 6.97.

14 ^(e) The officials shall then provide each elector with a slip bearing the same
 15 serial number as is recorded for the elector upon the poll list or separate list.

16 SECTION 72. 6.79 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.79 (4) SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION. When any elector provides identification
 18 a license, ^{or} social security ^{account} ~~number~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~elector~~ under sub. (1)
 19 or s. 6.15, 6.29 or 6.55 (2) or (3), the election officials shall enter the type of
 20 identification identifying document provided on the poll or registration list, or
 21 [↓] supplemental ^{separate} list maintained under sub. (2) ^(c) If the form of identification document
 22 submitted as proof of identity or residence includes a number which applies only to
 23 the individual holding that piece of identification document, the election officials
 24 shall also enter that number on the list. When any elector corroborates the
 25 registration identity or residence of any person offering to vote under sub. (1) or s.

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1 6.55 (2) (b) or (c) or (3), or the registration identity or residence of any person
2 registering on election day under s. 6.86 (3) (a) 2., the election officials shall also enter
3 the name and address of the corroborator shall also be entered ~~and the license, social~~
4 ~~security, a identifying number, or proof of residence~~ next to the name of the elector
5 whose information is being corroborated ~~on the registration or poll list, or the~~
6 ~~separate list maintained under sub. (2).~~ ^(c) When any person offering to vote has been ✓
7 challenged and taken the oath, following the person's name on the ~~registration or poll~~
8 list, the officials shall enter the word "Sworn".

9 SECTION 73. 6.79 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

10 SECTION 74. 6.79 (6) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

11 SECTION 75. 6.79 (6) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 6.79 (6) and amended to
12 read:

13 6.79 (6) CONFIDENTIAL NAMES AND ADDRESSES. ~~In municipalities where~~
14 ~~registration is required, an~~ An elector who has a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2)
15 may present his or her identification card issued under s. 6.47 (3), or may give his
16 or her name and identification serial number issued under s. 6.47 (3), in lieu of
17 stating his or her name and address under sub. (2). If the elector's name and
18 identification serial number appear on the confidential portion of the list, the
19 inspectors shall issue a voting serial number to the elector, record that number on
20 the ~~registration poll~~ list and permit the elector to vote.

21 SECTION 76. 6.82 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 6.82 (1) (a) When any inspectors are informed that an elector is at the entrance
23 to the polling place who as a result of disability is unable to enter the polling place,
24 they shall permit the elector to be assisted in marking a ballot by any individual
25 selected by the elector, except the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or

1 an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector. The
2 individual selected by the elector shall provide identification, whenever required,
3 and all other information necessary for the elector to obtain a ballot under s. 6.79 (2).
4 The assisting individual shall also provide acceptable proof of his or her
5 own residence under
6 s. 6.55
7 (7).
8 immediately take the ballot into the polling place and give the ballot to an inspector.
9 The inspector shall distinctly announce that he or she has "a ballot offered by ...
10 (stating person's name), an elector who, as a result of disability, is unable to enter the
11 polling place without assistance". The inspector shall then ask, "Does anyone object
12 to the reception of this ballot?" If no objection is made, the inspectors shall record
13 the elector's name under s. 6.79 and deposit the ballot in the ballot box, and shall
14 make a notation on the ~~registration or~~ poll list: "Ballot received at poll entrance".

15 SECTION 77. 6.86 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.86 (3) (a) 1. Any elector who is registered, ~~or otherwise qualified where~~
17 ~~registration is not required,~~ and who is hospitalized, may apply for and obtain an
18 official ballot by agent. The agent may apply for and obtain a ballot for the
19 hospitalized absent elector by presenting a form prescribed by the board and
20 containing the required information supplied by the hospitalized elector and signed
21 by that elector and any other elector residing in the same municipality as the
22 hospitalized elector, corroborating the information contained therein. The
23 corroborating elector shall state on the form his or her full name and address.

24 SECTION 78. 6.86 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

1 6.86 (3) (a) 2. If a hospitalized elector is not registered where registration is
2 required, the elector may register by agent under this subdivision at the same time
3 that the elector applies for an official ballot by agent under subd. 1. To register the
4 elector under this subdivision, the agent shall present a completed registration form
5 that contains the required information supplied by the elector and the elector's
6 signature, unless the elector is unable to sign due to physical disability. In this case,
7 the elector may authorize another elector to sign on his or her behalf. Any elector
8 signing a form on another elector's behalf shall attest to a statement that the
9 application is made on request and by authorization of the named elector, who is
10 unable to sign the form due to physical disability. The agent shall present this
11 statement along with all other information required under this subdivision. Except
12 as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the agent shall in every case present
13 provide the number of a valid driver's operator's license issued to the elector under
14 ch. 343, the last 4 digits of the elector's social security account number
15 registration identification number issued to the elector under s. 6.239, together with
16 acceptable proof of the elector's residence under s. 6.55 (7). If the agent cannot
17 present this proof, the registration form shall be signed and substantiated by
18 another elector residing in the elector's municipality of residence, corroborating the
19 information in the form. The form shall contain the full name and address of the
20 corroborating elector. The agent shall then ~~present~~ ^{present} ~~provide one of the~~ ^{plain} ~~statements~~
21 ~~specified in this subdivision, together with~~ acceptable proof of the corroborating
22 elector's residence under s. 6.55 (7).

23 SECTION 79. 6.86 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 6.86 (3) (b) When each properly executed form and statement required under
25 par. (a) is presented to the municipal clerk, if the elector who proposes to vote is

1 qualified, an absentee ballot shall be issued and the name of such hospitalized elector
2 shall be recorded by the clerk or special registration deputy. An agent who is issued
3 an absentee ballot under this section shall present ~~identification~~ documentation of
4 his or her identity, provide his or her name and address, and attest to a statement
5 that the ballot is received solely for the benefit of a named elector who is hospitalized,
6 and the agent will promptly transmit the ballot to such person.

7 SECTION 80. 6.86 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 6.86 (3) (c) An application under par. (a) 1. may be made and a registration form
9 under par. (a) 2. may be filed in person at the office of the municipal clerk not earlier
10 than 7 days before an election and not later than 5 p.m. on the day of the election.
11 A list of hospitalized electors applying for ballots under par. (a) 1. shall be made by
12 the municipal clerk and used to check that the electors vote only once, and by
13 absentee ballot. If identification is required, the municipal clerk shall so inform the
14 agent and the elector shall enclose identification in the envelope with the ballot. The
15 ballot shall be sealed by the elector and returned to the municipal clerk either by mail
16 or by personal delivery of the agent; but if the ballot is returned on the day of the
17 election, the agent shall make personal delivery at the polling place serving the
18 hospitalized elector's residence before the closing hour for the ballot to be counted.

19 SECTION 81. 6.865 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 **6.865 (title) Federal postcard request form absentee ballot requests.**

21 SECTION 82. 6.865 of the statutes is renumbered 6.865 (2).

22 SECTION 83. 6.865 (1) of the statutes is created to read:

23 6.865 (1) In this section, "military elector" and "overseas elector" have the
24 meanings given under s. 6.36 (2) (c).

25 SECTION 84. 6.865 (3) and (4) of the statutes are created to read:

1 6.865 (3) If the elector making a timely request for an absentee ballot is a
2 military elector or an overseas elector and the elector requests that he or she be sent
3 an absentee ballot for the next 2 general elections, the municipal clerk or board of
4 election commissioners shall comply with the request except that no ballot shall be
5 sent for a succeeding general election if the elector's name appeared on the
6 registration list for a previous general election and no longer appears on the
7 registration list for the succeeding general election. If the elector's address for the
8 succeeding general election is in a municipality that is different from the
9 municipality in which the elector resided for the first general election, the clerk or
10 board of election commissioners shall forward the request to the clerk or board of
11 election commissioners of the municipality where the elector resides.

12 (4) If the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners rejects a request
13 for an absentee ballot from a military elector or an overseas elector, the clerk or board
14 of election commissioners shall promptly inform the elector of the reason for the
15 rejection.

16 SECTION 85. 6.869 of the statutes is created to read:

17 6.869 Uniform instructions. The board shall ~~by rule~~ prescribe uniform
18 instructions for absentee voters. The instructions shall include information
19 concerning the procedure for correcting errors in marking a ballot and obtaining a
20 replacement for a spoiled ballot. The procedure shall, to the extent possible, respect
21 the privacy of each elector and preserve the confidentiality of each elector's vote.

22 SECTION 86. 6.87 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

23 6.87 (3) (d) A municipal clerk of a municipality may, if the clerk is reliably
24 informed by an absent elector of a facsimile transmission number or electronic mail
25 address where the elector can receive an absentee ballot, transmit a facsimile or

1 electronic copy of the absent elector's ballot to that elector in lieu of mailing under
2 this subsection if, in the judgment of the clerk, the time required to send the ballot
3 through the mail may not be sufficient to enable return of the ballot by the time
4 provided under sub. (6). An elector may receive an absentee ballot under this
5 subsection only if the elector has filed a valid application for the ballot under sub. (1).
6 If the clerk transmits an absentee ballot under this paragraph, the clerk shall also
7 transmit a facsimile or electronic copy of the text of the material that appears on the
8 certificate envelope prescribed in sub. (2), together with instructions prescribed by
9 the board. The instructions shall require the absent elector to make and subscribe
10 to the certification as required under sub. (4) and to enclose the absentee ballot in
11 a separate envelope contained within a larger envelope, that shall include the
12 completed certificate. The elector shall then mail the absentee ballot with postage
13 prepaid to the municipal clerk. ~~An~~ Except as authorized in s. 6.97 (2), an absentee
14 ballot received under this paragraph shall not be counted unless it is cast in the
15 manner prescribed in this paragraph and in accordance with the instructions
16 provided by the board.

17 SECTION 87. 6.87 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 6.87 (4) Except as otherwise provided in s. 6.875, the elector voting absentee
19 shall make and subscribe to the certification before one witness. The absent elector,
20 in the presence of the witness, shall mark the ballot in a manner that will not disclose
21 how the elector's vote is cast. The elector shall then, still in the presence of the
22 witness, fold the ballots if they are paper ballots so each is separate and so that the
23 elector conceals the markings thereon and deposit them in the proper envelope. If
24 a consolidated ballot under s. 5.655 is used, the elector shall fold the ballot if it is a
25 paper ballot so that the elector conceals the markings thereon and deposit the ballot

1 in the proper envelope. If the elector has registered by mail and has not, or is not
2 certain whether the elector has, previously voted in an election for national office in
3 this state, the elector shall enclose identification in the envelope. Identification is
4 required if the elector is not a military elector or an overseas elector, as defined in
5 s. 6.36 (2) (c), and the elector registered by mail and has not voted in an election for
6 national office in this state. The elector may receive assistance under sub. (5). The
7 return envelope shall then be sealed. The witness may not be a candidate. The
8 envelope shall be mailed by the elector, postage prepaid, or delivered in person, to the
9 municipal clerk issuing the ballot or ballots. Failure to return an unused ballot in
10 a primary does not invalidate the ballot on which the elector's votes are cast. Return
11 of more than one marked ballot in a primary or return of a ballot prepared under s.
12 5.655 or a ballot used with an electronic voting system in a primary which is marked
13 for candidates of more than one party invalidates all votes cast by the elector for
14 candidates in the primary.

15 SECTION 88. 6.88 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.88 (3) (a) Any time between the opening and closing of the polls on election
17 day, the inspectors shall open the carrier envelope only, and announce the name of
18 the absent elector or the identification serial number of the absent elector if the
19 elector has a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2). When the inspectors find that the
20 certification has been properly executed, the applicant is a qualified elector of the
21 ward or election district, and the applicant has not voted in the election, they shall
22 enter an indication on the poll ~~or registration~~ list next to the applicant's name
23 indicating an absentee ballot is cast by the elector. They shall then open the envelope
24 containing the ballot in a manner so as not to deface or destroy the certification
25 thereon. The inspectors shall take out the ballot without unfolding it or permitting

1 it to be unfolded or examined. Unless the ballot is cast under s. 6.95, the inspectors
2 shall verify that the ballot has been endorsed by the issuing clerk. If the registration
3 list indicates that identification is required and no identification is enclosed or the
4 name or address on the document that is provided cannot be verified by the
5 inspectors, the inspectors shall proceed as provided under s. 6.97 (2). The inspectors
6 shall then deposit the ballot into the proper ballot box and enter the absent elector's
7 name or voting number after his or her name on the poll ~~or registration list~~ in the
8 same manner as if the elector had been present and voted in person.

9 SECTION 89. 6.94 of the statutes is amended to read:

10 **6.94 Challenged elector oath.** If the person challenged refuses to answer
11 fully any relevant questions put to him or her by the inspector under s. 6.92, the
12 inspectors shall reject the elector's vote. If the challenge is not withdrawn after the
13 person offering to vote has answered the questions, one of the inspectors shall
14 administer to the person the following oath or affirmation: "You do solemnly swear
15 (or affirm) that: you are 18 years of age; you are a citizen of the United States; you
16 are now and for 10 days have been a resident of this ward except under s. 6.02 (2);
17 you have not voted at this election; you have not made any bet or wager or become
18 directly or indirectly interested in any bet or wager depending upon the result of this
19 election; you are not on any other ground disqualified to vote at this election". If the
20 person challenged refuses to take the oath or affirmation, the person's vote shall be
21 rejected. If the person challenged answers fully all relevant questions put to the
22 elector by the inspector under s. 6.92, takes the oath or affirmation, and fulfills the
23 applicable registration requirements, ~~where applicable,~~ and if the answers to the
24 questions given by the person indicate that the person meets the voting qualification
25 requirements, the person's vote shall be received.

1 **SECTION 90.** 6.95 of the statutes is amended to read:

2 **6.95 Voting procedure for challenged electors.** Whenever the inspectors
3 under ss. 6.92 to 6.94 receive the vote of a person offering to vote who has been
4 challenged, they shall give the elector a ballot. Before depositing the ballot, the
5 inspectors shall write on the back of the ballot the serial number of the challenged
6 person corresponding to the number kept at the election on the ~~registration or~~ poll
7 list, or other list maintained under s. 6.79. If voting machines are used in the
8 municipality where the person is voting, the person's vote may be received only upon
9 an absentee ballot furnished by the municipal clerk which shall have the
10 corresponding serial number from the ~~registration or~~ poll list or other list
11 maintained under s. 6.79 written on the back of the ballot before the ballot is
12 deposited. The inspectors shall indicate on the list the reason for the challenge. The
13 challenged ballots shall be counted under s. 5.85 or 7.51. The municipal board of
14 canvassers may decide any challenge when making its canvass under s. 7.53. If the
15 returns are reported under s. 7.60, a challenge may be reviewed by the county board
16 of canvassers. If the returns are reported under s. 7.70, a challenge may be reviewed
17 by the chairperson of the board or the chairperson's designee. The decision of any
18 board of canvassers or of the chairperson or chairperson's designee may be appealed
19 under s. 9.01. The standard for disqualification specified in s. 6.325 shall be used to
20 determine the validity of challenged ballots.

21 **SECTION 91.** 6.96 of the statutes is created to read:

22 **6.96 Voting procedure for electors voting pursuant to federal court**
23 **order.** Whenever any elector is allowed to vote at a polling place pursuant to a
24 federal court order after the closing time provided under s. 6.78, the inspectors shall
25 give the elector a ballot. Before depositing the ballot, the inspectors shall write on

1 the back of the ballot the serial number of the elector corresponding to the number
2 kept at the election on the poll list, or other list maintained under s. 6.79. If voting
3 machines are used in the municipality where the elector is voting, the elector's vote
4 may be received only upon an absentee ballot furnished by the municipal clerk which
5 shall have the corresponding number from the poll list or other list maintained under
6 s. 6.79 written on the back of the ballot before the ballot is deposited. When receiving
7 the elector's ballot, the inspectors shall provide the elector with the written voting
8 information prescribed by the board under s. 7.08 (8). The inspectors shall indicate
9 on the list the fact that the elector is voting pursuant to a federal court order. The
10 ballot shall be counted under s. 5.85 or 7.51 unless the order is vacated. If the order
11 is vacated after the ballot is counted, the appropriate board or boards of canvassers
12 or the chairperson of the board or his or her designee shall reopen the canvass to
13 discount any ballots that were counted pursuant to the vacated order and adjust the
14 statements, certifications, and determinations accordingly.

15 SECTION 92. 6.97 of the statutes is created to read:

16 **6.97 Voting procedure for individuals not providing required**
17 **identification. (1)** Whenever any individual who is required to provide
18 identification in order to be permitted to vote appears to vote at a polling place and
19 cannot provide the required identification or inspectors cannot verify the document
20 submitted by the individual, the inspectors shall offer the opportunity for the
21 individual to vote under this section. If the individual wishes to vote, the inspectors
22 shall require the individual to execute a written affirmation before the inspectors
23 stating that the individual is a qualified elector of the ward or election district where
24 he or she offers to vote and is eligible to vote in the election. The inspectors shall then
25 give the individual a ballot. Before depositing the ballot, the inspectors shall write

1 on the back of the ballot the serial number of the individual corresponding to the
2 number kept at the election on the poll list or other list maintained under s. 6.79.
3 If voting machines are used in the municipality where the individual is voting, the
4 individual's vote may be received only upon an absentee ballot furnished by the
5 municipal clerk which shall have the corresponding number from the poll list or
6 other list maintained under s. 6.79 written on the back of the ballot before the ballot
7 is deposited. When receiving the individual's ballot, the inspectors shall provide the
8 individual with written voting information prescribed by the board under s. 7.08 (8).
9 The inspectors shall indicate on the list the fact that the individual is required to
10 provide identification but did not do so or the document submitted by the individual
11 could not be verified by the inspectors. The inspectors shall notify the individual that
12 he or she may provide identification to the municipal clerk. The inspectors shall also
13 promptly notify the municipal clerk of the name, address, and serial number of the
14 individual. If, prior to the completion of the canvass of the election by the municipal
15 board of canvassers, the municipal clerk notifies the board of canvassers that the
16 individual is qualified to vote in the ward or election district where the individual's
17 ballot was cast, the vote of the individual shall be counted. Otherwise, the vote of
18 the individual may not be counted.

19 (2) Whenever any individual who votes by absentee ballot is required to
20 provide identification in order to be permitted to vote and does not provide the
21 required identification or the inspectors cannot verify the document submitted by
22 the individual, the inspectors shall write on the back of the absentee ballot the serial
23 number of the individual corresponding to the number kept at the election on the poll
24 list or other list maintained under s. 6.79. The inspectors shall indicate on the list
25 the fact that the individual is required to provided identification but did not do so or

1 the document submitted by the individual could not be verified by the inspectors.
2 The inspectors shall promptly notify the municipal clerk of the name, address, and
3 serial number of the individual. If, prior to completion of the canvass by the
4 municipal board of canvassers, the municipal clerk notifies the board of canvassers
5 that the individual is qualified to vote in the ward or election district where the
6 individual's ballot was cast, the vote of the individual shall be counted. Otherwise,
7 the vote of the individual may not be counted.

8 **SECTION 93.** 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 **SECTION 94.** 7.08 (6) and (8) of the statutes are created to read:

15 7.08 (6) **ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL VOTING SYSTEM STANDARDS.** Following each
16 general election, audit the performance of each voting system used in this state to
17 determine the error rate of the system in counting ballots that are validly cast by
18 electors. If the error rate exceeds the rate permitted under standards of the federal
19 election commission in effect on October 29, 2002, the board shall take remedial
20 action and order remedial action to be taken by affected counties and municipalities
21 to ensure compliance with the standards. Each county and municipality shall
22 comply with any order received under this subsection.

23 (8) **ELECTORS VOTING PURSUANT TO FEDERAL COURT ORDER.** Prescribe a written
24 notice to be distributed to electors who vote under s. 6.96 or 6.97 that informs an
25 elector how to obtain information regarding whether his or her vote has been

1 counted, and if the vote will not be counted, the reason that the vote will not be
2 counted.

3 SECTION 95. 7.10 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 7.10 (1) (b) The county clerk shall supply sufficient ~~poll list forms for~~
5 ~~municipalities that do not have elector registration and other~~ election supplies for
6 national, state and county elections to municipalities within the county. The ~~poll list~~
7 ~~forms and other~~ election supplies shall be enclosed in the sealed package containing
8 the official ballots and delivered to the municipal clerk.

9 SECTION 96. 7.10 (7) and (8) of the statutes are created to read:

10 7.10 (7) VOTER EDUCATION. Each county clerk shall assist the board in
11 conducting educational programs under s. 5.05 (12) to inform electors about the
12 voting process.

13 (8) TOLL-FREE ELECTION INFORMATION EXCHANGE. Each county clerk shall assist
14 the board ^{and municipal clerks} in maintaining toll-free telephone lines and other information access
15 systems under s. 5.05 (13) for exchange of voting information.

16 *NS* SECTION 97. 7.15 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 *48-15* 7.15 (1) (c) Prepare ballots for municipal elections, and distribute ballots and
18 provide other supplies for conducting all elections. The municipal clerk shall deliver
19 ~~poll list forms received from the county clerk to the polling places with the ballots to~~
20 the polling places before the polls open.

21 SECTION 98. 7.15 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 7.15 (4) RECORDING ELECTORS. After each election ~~where registration is used~~,
23 the municipal clerk shall make a record of each elector who has voted at the election
24 by stamping or writing the date of the election in the appropriate space on the
25 original registration form of the elector. Municipalities employing data processing

1 may, in lieu of this requirement, record voting information in such a manner that it
2 is readily available for retrieval by computer.

3 SECTION 99. 7.15 (9) ^{to (12)} ~~(9)~~ of the statutes are created to read: ✓

4 7.15 (9) VOTER EDUCATION. Each municipal clerk shall assist the board in
5 conducting educational programs under s. 5.05 (12) to inform electors about the
6 voting process.

7 (10) TOLL-FREE ELECTION INFORMATION EXCHANGE. Each municipal clerk shall
8 assist the board in maintaining toll-free telephone lines and ^{any} other information
9 access systems under s. 5.05 (13) for exchange of voting information.

10 SECTION 100. 7.23 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 7.23 (1) (e) ~~Registration and poll~~ Poll lists created at a nonpartisan primary or
12 election may be destroyed 2 years after the primary or election at which they were
13 created and ~~registration and poll~~ lists created at a partisan primary or election may
14 be destroyed 4 years after the primary or election at which they were created.

15 SECTION 101. 7.37 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 7.37 (7) ~~REGISTRATION AND POLL~~ POLL LISTS. Two inspectors shall be assigned
17 to have charge of the ~~registration or~~ poll lists at each election.

18 SECTION 102. 7.51 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 7.51 (2) (a) The inspectors shall first compare the poll ~~or registration~~ lists,
20 correcting any mistakes until the poll ~~or registration~~ lists agree. The chief inspector
21 and the inspectors who are responsible for recording electors under s. 6.79 shall
22 verify the correctness of the poll ~~or registration~~ lists after the polls close by each
23 signing their name thereto. Where ballots are distributed to electors, the inspectors
24 shall then open the ballot box and remove and count the number of ballots therein
25 without examination except as is necessary to ascertain that each is a single ballot.

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1 If 2 or more ballots are folded together so as to appear as a single ballot, the inspectors
2 shall lay them aside until the count is completed; and if, after a comparison of the
3 count and the appearance of the ballots it appears to a majority of the inspectors that
4 the ballots folded together were voted by the same person they may not be counted
5 but the inspectors shall mark them as to the reason for removal, set them aside and
6 carefully preserve them. The inspectors shall then proceed under par. (b).

7 SECTION 103. 7.51 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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

18 SECTION 104. 7.51 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 7.51 (2) (e) If, after any ballots have been laid aside, the number of ballots still
20 exceeds the total number of electors recorded on the ~~registration or~~ poll list, the
21 inspectors shall separate the absentee ballots from the other ballots. If there is an
22 excess number of absentee ballots, the inspectors shall place the absentee ballots in
23 the ballot box and one of the inspectors shall publicly and without examination draw
24 therefrom by chance the number of ballots equal to the excess number of absentee
25 ballots. If there is an excess number of other ballots, the inspectors shall place those

1 ballots in the ballot box and one of the inspectors shall publicly and without
2 examination draw therefrom by chance the number of ballots equal to the excess
3 number of those ballots. All ballots so removed may not be counted but shall be
4 specially marked as having been removed by the inspectors on original canvass due
5 to an excess number of ballots, set aside and preserved. When the number of ballots
6 and total shown on the poll ~~or registration~~ list agree, the inspectors shall return all
7 ballots to be counted to the ballot box and shall turn the ballot box in such manner
8 as to thoroughly mix the ballots. The inspectors shall then open, count and record
9 the number of votes. When the ballots are counted, the inspectors shall separate
10 them into piles for ballots similarly voted. Objections may be made to placement of
11 ballots in the piles at the time the separation is made.

12 SECTION 105. 7.51 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

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

1 certify to the correctness of the tally sheets. When the tally is complete, the
2 inspectors shall publicly announce the results from the statements.

3 SECTION 106. 7.51 (5) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 7.51 (5) (a) The inspectors shall make full and accurate return of the votes cast
5 for each candidate and proposition on tally sheet forms provided by the municipal
6 clerk for that purpose. Each tally sheet shall record the returns for each office or
7 referendum by ward, unless combined returns are authorized in accordance with s.
8 5.15 (6) (b) in which case the tally sheet shall record the returns for each group of
9 combined wards. After recording the votes, the inspectors shall seal in a carrier
10 envelope outside the ballot bag or container one inspectors' statement under sub. (4)
11 (a), one tally sheet, and one poll ~~or registration~~ list for delivery to the county clerk,
12 unless the election relates only to municipal or school district offices or referenda.
13 The inspectors shall also similarly seal one inspectors' statement, one tally sheet,
14 and one poll ~~or registration~~ list for delivery to the municipal clerk. For school district
15 elections, except in 1st class cities, the inspectors shall similarly seal one inspectors'
16 statement, one tally sheet, and one poll ~~or registration~~ list for delivery to the school
17 district clerk. The inspectors shall immediately deliver all ballots, statements, tally
18 sheets, lists, and envelopes to the municipal clerk.

19 SECTION 107. 8.17 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 8.17 (1) (a) Political parties qualifying for a separate ballot under s. 5.62 (1) (b)
21 or (2) shall elect their party committeemen and committeewomen as provided under
22 sub. (5) (b). The function of committeemen and committeewomen is to represent
23 their neighborhoods in the structure of a political party. Committeemen and
24 committeewomen shall act as liaison representatives between their parties and the
25 residents of the election districts in which they serve. Activities of committeemen

1 and committeewomen shall include, but not be limited to, ~~voter identification~~
2 identifying voters; assistance in voter registration drives; increasing voter
3 participation in political parties; polling and other methods of passing information
4 from residents to political parties and elected public officials; and dissemination of
5 information from public officials to residents. For assistance in those and other
6 activities of interest to a political party, each committeeman and committeewoman
7 may appoint a captain to engage in these activities in each ward, if the election
8 district served by the committeeman or committeewoman includes more than one
9 ward. In an election district which includes more than one ward, the committeeman
10 or committeewoman shall coordinate the activities of the ward captains in promoting
11 the interests of his or her party.

12 SECTION 108. 9.01 (1) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

13 9.01 (1) (b) 1. The board of canvassers shall first compare the ~~registration or~~
14 poll lists and determine the number of voting electors.

15 ~~SECTION 109. 9.01 (11) of the statutes is amended to read:~~

16 9.01 (11) EXCLUSIVE REMEDY. ~~This~~ Except as authorized in ss. 5.061 and 227.52,
17 this section constitutes the exclusive judicial remedy for testing the right to hold an
18 elective office as the result of an alleged irregularity, defect or mistake committed
19 during the voting or canvassing process.

20 SECTION 110. 10.02 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 10.02 (3) (a) Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote,
22 an elector shall give state his or her name and address ~~before being permitted to vote~~
23 and provide identification if required by federal law. Where ballots are distributed
24 to electors, the initials of 2 inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being
25 permitted to vote, the elector shall retire alone to a voting booth or machine and cast

1 his or her ballot, except that an elector who is a parent or guardian may be
2 accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward. An election official may
3 inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not
4 in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

5 SECTION 111. 11.30 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 11.30 (title) ~~Identification~~ Attribution of political contributions,
7 disbursements and communications.

8 SECTION 112. 12.13 (3) (u) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 12.13 (3) (u) ~~Present~~ Provide false identification documentation of identity for
10 the purpose of inducing an election official to permit the person or another person to
11 vote.

12 SECTION 113. 15.617 of the statutes is created to read:

13 15.617 Same; council. (1) ELECTION ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL. There is
14 created in the elections board an election administration council consisting of
15 members appointed by the executive director of the elections board, including the
16 clerk or executive director of the board of election commissioners of the 2 counties or
17 municipalities in this state having the largest population, one or more election
18 officials of other counties or municipalities, representatives of organizations that
19 advocate for the interests of individuals with disabilities and organizations that
20 advocate for the interests of the voting public, and other electors of this state.

21 SECTION 114. 20.002 (11) (d) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

22 20.002 (11) (d) 2m. The election administration fund under s. 5.055.

23 SECTION 115. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place,
24 insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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1 20.855 (4) (bp) *Election administration fund transfer*. A sum sufficient to make
2 the payments required under s. 20.510 (1) (t) to (v), to be transferred the election
3 administration fund.

4 **SECTION 121.** 25.17 (1) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

5 25.17 (1) (e) Election administration fund (s. 25.425);

6 **SECTION 122.** 25.425 of the statutes is created to read:

7 **25.425 Election administration fund.** There is established a separate
8 nonlapsible trust fund designated the election administration fund consisting of all
9 moneys received from the federal government under P.L. 107-252 and all moneys
10 transferred to the fund from other funds.

11 **SECTION 123.** 51.62 (3) (a) 4. of the statutes is created to read:

12 51.62 (3) (a) 4. Engage in activities to ensure full participation in the electoral
13 process for eligible electors with mental illness or developmental disabilities,
14 including registering to vote, voting, and obtaining access to polling places.

15 **SECTION 124.** 51.62 (3m) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 51.62 (3m) FUNDING. From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (7) (md), the
17 department may not distribute more than \$75,000 in each fiscal year and, from the
18 appropriation under s. 20.435 (7) (na), the department shall distribute funds made
19 available under P.L. 107-252 to the protection and advocacy agency for performance
20 of community mental health protection and advocacy services.

21 **SECTION 125.** 59.05 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 59.05 (2) If two-fifths of the legal voters of any county, to be determined by the
23 registration or poll lists of the last previous general election held in the county, the
24 names of which voters shall appear on some one of the registration or poll lists of such
25 election, present to the board a petition conforming to the requirements of s. 8.40

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1 asking for a change of the county seat to some other place designated in the petition,
2 the board shall submit the question of removal of the county seat to a vote of the
3 qualified voters of the county. The board shall file the question as provided in s. 8.37.
4 The election shall be held only on the day of the general election, notice of the election
5 shall be given and the election shall be conducted as in the case of the election of
6 officers on that day, and the votes shall be canvassed, certified and returned in the
7 same manner as other votes at that election. The question to be submitted shall be
8 "Shall the county seat of county be removed to?"

9 SECTION 126. 117.20 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 117.20 (2) The clerk of each affected school district shall publish notice, as
11 required under s. 8.55, in the territory of that school district. The procedures for
12 school board elections under s. 120.06 (5), (9), (11), (13) and (14) apply to a
13 referendum held under this section. The school board and school district clerk of each
14 affected school district shall each perform, for that school district, the functions
15 assigned to the school board and the school district clerk, respectively, under those
16 subsections. The form of the ballot shall correspond to the form prescribed by the
17 elections board under ss. 5.64 (2) and 7.08 (1) (a). The clerk of each affected school
18 district shall file with the secretary of the board a certified statement prepared by
19 the school district board of canvassers of the results of the referendum in that school
20 district.

21 SECTION 127. 120.06 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

22 SECTION 128. 125.05 (2) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

23 125.05 (2) (h) *Number of electors.* The number of electors in a residence district
24 shall equal not less than the number of names with residences in the district which
25 appear on ~~a~~ the registration list, as defined in s. 5.02 (17). ~~If there is no registration~~

1 ~~list, the number of electors shall equal the number of names with residences in the~~
2 ~~district which appear on a poll list as defined in s. 5.02 (14) compiled at the last~~
3 ~~gubernatorial or presidential election, whichever is most recent, for the residence~~
4 ~~district on the date that the remonstrance, consent, or counter petition is filed. A~~
5 ~~person whose name does not appear on a registration list or poll list may not sign a~~
6 ~~protest petition, consent or counter petition.~~

7 **SECTION 129. Initial applicability.**

8 (1) The treatment of sections 5.02 (17), 6.20, 6.24 (3), (4) (a) and (c), and (8), 6.27
9 (1) and (2) to (5), 6.28 (2) (b) and (3), 6.285, 6.29 (2) (a) and (b), 6.36 (2) (a) and (c),
10 6.50 (1) (intro.) and (2m), 6.54, 6.55 (2) (a) 1. (intro.), (b), and (c) 1. and 2., (3), and
11 (7) (c) 2., 6.79 (intro.), (1), (2), (4), (5), and (6) (a) and (b), 6.82 (1) (a), 6.86 (3) (a) 1.
12 and 2., 6.88 (3) (a), 6.94, 6.95, 7.08 (1) (c), 7.10 (1) (b), 7.15 (1) (c) and (4), 7.37 (7), 7.51
13 (2) (a), (c), and (e), (4) (a), and (5) (a), 9.01 (1) (b) 1., 59.05 (2), 117.20 (2), 120.06 (5),
14 and 125.05 (2) (h) of the statutes first applies with respect to the 2004 spring primary
15 election.

16 **SECTION 130. Effective dates.** This act takes effect on the day after
17 publication, except as follows:

18 (1) The treatment of sections 5.02 (24w), 5.05 (12), 5.25 (4) (a) and (c), 5.91 (15)
19 to (18), 6.869, 7.08 (6), 7.10 (7) and 7.15 (9) of the statutes, the renumbering of section
20 5.87 of the statutes, and the creation of section 5.87 (2) of the statutes take effect on
21 January 1, 2006.

22 (2) The treatment of sections 5.05 (13), 5.35 (6) (a) 2m. 4., 4a., and 4b., 6.96, 7.08
23 (8), 7.10 (8) and 7.15 (10) of the statutes takes effect on January 1, 2004.

24 (END)