

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 56 [2007 Assembly Bill 82] Recall of Elective Town Sanitary District Commissioners

Current law provides that the electors of a town may recall an elective town official. However, current law does not expressly allow the electors of a town sanitary district to recall an elective town sanitary district commissioner.

2007 Wisconsin Act 56 provides that the electors of a town sanitary district may recall an elective town sanitary district commissioner. Before filing a petition for the recall of a commissioner, the petitioner must file a registration statement with the filing officer with whom the recall petition is filed. The recall petition must be signed by electors equal to at least 25% of the vote cast for the office of Governor at the last election in the same district as the commissioner being recalled. The recall petition must contain a statement of the reason for the recall which is related to the official responsibilities of the commissioner. No recall petition may be filed prior to the expiration of one year after the beginning of the term of office for which the commissioner was elected. After one recall petition and recall election, no additional recall petitions may be filed against the same commissioner during the commissioner's term.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.