February 25, 2008 – Introduced by Representative HUEBSCH, cosponsored by Senator S. FITZGERALD. Referred to Committee on Rules.

AN ACT relating to: certification of major party nominees for the offices of president and vice president in 2008.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the state or national chairperson of each political party that qualifies to have its candidates appear on a separate ballot, column, or row at the September primary must certify to the Government Accountability Board the names of the party’s candidates for the offices of president and vice president of the United States no later than 5 p.m. on the first Tuesday in September preceding the presidential election. In 2008, this deadline is September 2, 2008.

This bill directs the Government Accountability Board to accept this certification in 2008 if the certification is made no later than 5 p.m. on September 5, 2008.

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

SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) Notwithstanding section 8.16 (7) of the statutes, the government accountability board shall accept the certification of the state or national chairperson of any political party entitled to a September primary ballot of the names of the
party's nominees for the offices of president and vice president in 2008 if the certification is made no later than 5 p.m. on September 5, 2008.