## DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

November 25, 2008

**Representative Turner:** 

The absentee ballot procedure under s. 6.87 (4), stats., as amended by this draft, uses the state definition of the term "military elector" for purposes of exemption from the witness requirement but uses the federal definition of the term "military elector" for purposes of exemption from the requirement to provide proof of residence. While the two definitions both overlap and underlap, the state definition is generally more inclusive. Use of different definitions in the same procedure is likely to cause confusion and errors. You may wish to standardize the definition for purposes of absentee balloting. If you do, you will broaden the scope of the draft somewhat and more sections may need to be treated.

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