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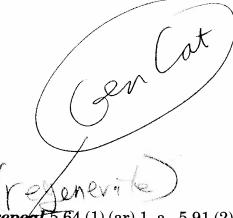


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SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT,

TO 2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 7

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AN ACT to repeat 5.64 (1) (ar) 1. a., 5.91 (2), 6.26 (2) (am), 6.36 (5), 6.56 (5), 7.08 (9), 7.15 (1) (L), 7.50 (2) (a) and 12.13 (3) (v); to renumber 6.79 (3) and 343.50 (1); to renumber and amend 6.85, 6.86 (2m), 6.87 (4) and 6.97 (3); to amend 5.35 (6) (a) 2., 5.35 (6) (a) 4a., 5.37 (1), 5.64 (1) (b), 6.02 (1), 6.02 (2), 6.10 (3), 6.10 (4), 6.15 (1), 6.15 (2) (a), 6.15 (2) (d) 1r., 6.15 (3), 6.18, 6.22 (4) (b), 6.22 (7), 6.24 (4) (c), 6.24 (4) (d), 6.26 (2) (b), 6.26 (2) (c), 6.26 (2) (cm), 6.29 (1), 6.29 (2) (a), 6.33 (1), 6.33 (2) (b), 6.33 (5) (a), 6.34 (2), 6.36 (1) (b) 1. a., 6.36 (2) (a), 6.40 (1) (a) 1., 6.55 (2) (a) 1., 6.55 (2) (b), 6.55 (2) (c) 1., 6.55 (2) (c) 2., 6.79 (1m), 6.79 (2) (a), 6.79 (2) (d), 6.79 (3) (title), 6.79 (4), 6.79 (6), 6.82 (1) (a), 6.86 (1) (ar), 6.86 (1) (b), 6.86 (3) (a) 1., 6.86 (3) (a) 2., 6.86 (3) (c), 6.869, 6.87 (1), 6.87 (2), 6.87 (3) (d), 6.87 (6), 6.875 (title), 6.875 (2) (a), 6.875 (3) and (4), 6.875 (6) (a) and (b), 6.875 (6) (c) 1, 6.875 (6) (c) 2., 6.875 (6) (e), 6.875 (7), 6.88 (3) (a), 6.92 (1), 6.94, 6.97 (title), 6.97 (1), 6.97 (2), 7.08 (8) (title), 7.15 (1) (cm), 7.15 (1) (j), 7.23 (1) (e), 7.52 (3) (a), 7.52 (4) (a),

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(6) (b), 10.02 (3) (form) (a), 10.02 (3) (b) 1., 10.02 (3) (c), 12.03 (2) (b) 3., 12.13 (2) (b) 6m., 343.06 (1) (L), 343.10 (7) (d), 343.11 (1), 343.11 (3), 343.11 (3), 343.14 (3), 343.165 (1) (intro.), 343.165 (2), 343.165 (3) (a), 343.165 (4) (a), 343.165 (4) (c), 343.165 (d) (d), 343.165 (5), 343.17 (3) (a) 2., 343.17 (5), 343.50 (3), 343.50 (4), 343.50 (5) (a) 1., 343.50 (5m) and 343.50 (6); to repeal and recreate 343.17(5), 343.50 (1), 343.50 (3), 343.50 (4), 343.50 (4g), 343.50 (5) (a) and 343.50 (6); and to create 5.02 (6m), 5.02 (16c), 5.64 (1) (ar) 1m., 6.15 (2) (bm), 6.36 (1) (bm) and (bn), 6.79 (2) (am), 6.79 (3) (b), 6.79 (7), 6.87 (4) (a), 6.87 (4) (b) 2., 6.87 (4) (b) 3., 6.87 (4) (b) 4., 6.87 (4) (b) 5., 6.875 (1) (ap) and (asm), 6.875 (2) (d), 6.965, 6.97(3) (a), 6.97 (3) (c), 7.08 (12), 345.03 (3r), 343.14 (3m), 343.165 (7), 343.17 (3) (a) 14., 343.50 (1) (c), 343.50 (4g) and 343.50 (5) (a) 3. of the statutes; relating to: requiring certain identification in order to vote at a polling place or obtain an absentee ballot; absentee voting; late voter registration; proof of residence; a requirement for electors to provide a signature when voting in person at an election; the duration and location of residency for voting purposes; voting a straight party ticket; issuance of operator's licenses and identification cards by the Department of Transportation; voter registration information; the statewide voter registration list; voter registration activities; granting rule-making authority; making an appropriation; and providing a penalty.



Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

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

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1	5.02 (6m) "Identification" means any of the following documents issued to an
2	individual:
3	(a) One of the following documents that is unexpired or if expired has expired
4	after the date of the most recent general election:
5	1. An operator's license issued under ch. 343.
6	2. An identification card issued under s. 343.50.
7	3. An identification card issued by a U.S. uniformed service.
8	4. A U.S. passport.
9	(b) A certificate of U.S. naturalization that was issued not earlier than 2 years
10	before the date of an election at which it is presented.
11	(c) An unexpired driving receipt under s. 343.11.
12	(d) An unexpired identification card receipt issued under s. 343.50.
13	(e) An identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in this
14	state.
15	(f) An unexpired identification card approved by the board that is issued by a
16	university or college in this state that is accredited, as defined in s. $39.30(1)(d)$, or
17	by a technical college created under ch. 38.
18	(g) An unexpired identification card issued by a state agency, as defined in s.
19	20.001(1), by a local governmental unit, as defined in s. $19.42(7u),$ or by the federal
20	government.
21	(h) If an individual is not able to present any of the documents specified in pars.
22	(a) to (g), an affidavit in the form prescribed by the board specifying the individual's
23	name and address, affirming the individual's identity and stating that this is the
24	address of the individual's residence. The affidavit shall include the following

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and shall record each vote cast.

1	statement: "I am aware that falsification of the information in this affidavit is
2	punishable as a Class H felony."
3	Section 2. 5.02 (16c) of the statutes is created to read:
4	5.02 (16c) "Proof of identification" means identification that contains the name
5	of the individual to whom the document was issued, which name conforms to the
6	individual's voter registration form, if the individual is required to register to vote
7	and that contains a photograph of the individual, except as authorized in \$\beta 43.14
8	(3m) or 343.50 (4g).
9	SECTION 3. 5.35 (6) (a) 4a. of the statutes is amended to read:
10	5.35 (6) (a) 4a. Instructions prescribed by the board for electors for whom proof
11	of identification is required under s. 6.79 (2) or for whom proof of residence under s.
12	6.34 is required under s. 6.55 (2).
13	Section 4. 5.37 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
14	5.37 (1) Voting machines shall give every elector a reasonable opportunity to
15	vote for any person for any office and on any proposition the elector is entitled to vote
16	on, assure privacy to the elector so no one will know how the elector is voting or has
17	voted, preclude the electors from voting for persons or propositions upon which they
18	are not entitled to vote and from voting more than once for the same office or on the
19	same proposition. Voting machines shall be constructed to lock so they cannot be
20	manipulated, tampered with, or show the number of votes registered for any
21	candidate or proposition while voting is in progress. The machines shall provide a
22	method for electors to vote a straight party ticket, shall permit voting a split ticket

SECTION 5. 5.64 (1) (ar) 1. a. of the statutes is repealed.

Section 6. 5.64 (1) (ar) 1m. of the statutes is created to read:

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5.64 (1) (ar) 1m. When voting for president and vice president, the ballot shall
permit an elector to vote only for the candidates on one ticket jointly or to write in
the names of persons in both spaces.

SECTION 7. 5.64 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.64 (1) (b) The names of the candidates for the offices of president and vice president that are certified under s. 8.16 (7) or that are contained in nomination papers filed under s. 8.20 shall appear on the ballot in the form prescribed in s. 7.08 (2) (a). The names of the candidates on the regular party tickets nominated at the primary or replacements appointed under s. 8.35 (2) shall appear in a separate column under the party designation. The columns shall be arranged from left to right according to rank, based on the number of votes received by each party's candidate for president or governor at the last general election beginning with the party that received the most votes. To the right of the columns for parties qualifying under s. 5.62 (1) (b) shall be placed the columns for parties qualifying under s. 5.62 (2) in the same order in which the parties filed petitions with the board. Any column required under par. (e) 2. shall be placed next in order. To the right of the party columns shall be a column for the names of independent candidates for each office, or more than one column if the first column does not provide sufficient space for the names of all such candidates.

SECTION 8. 5.91 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 9. 6.10 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.10 (3) When an elector moves from one ward to another or his or her residence from one ward or municipality to another ward or municipality within the state after the last registration day but at least 10 days before the election, the elector may vote in and be considered a resident of the new ward or municipality where residing upon

transferring registration under s. 6.40 (1) or upon registering at the proper polling place or other registration location in the new ward or municipality under s. 6.55 (2) or 6.86 (3) (a) 2. If the elector moves within his or her residence later than 10 days of before an election, the elector shall vote in the elector's old former ward or municipality if otherwise qualified to vote there.

SECTION 10. 6.15 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.15 (1) QUALIFICATIONS. Any person who was or who is a qualified an eligible elector under ss. 6.02 and 6.03, except that he or she has been a resident of this state for less than 10 days prior to the date of the presidential election, is entitled to vote for the president and vice president but for no other offices. The fact that the person was not registered to vote in the state from which he or she moved does not prevent voting in this state if the elector is otherwise qualified.

SECTION 11. 6.15 (2) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

6.15 (2) (bm) Except as authorized in ss. 6.79 (7) and 6.86 (1) (ar), when making application in person at the office of the municipal clerk, each applicant shall present proof of identification. If any document presented by the applicant is not proof of residence under s. 6.34, the applicant shall also present proof of residence under s. 6.34 or have his or her residence corroborated by another elector of the municipality in the manner provided in par. (d) 1r. The clerk shall verify that the name on the proof of identification presented by the elector conforms to the name on the elector's application and shall verify that any photograph appearing on that document reasonably resembles the elector.

Section 12. 6.15 (2) (d) 1r. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.15 (2) (d) 1r. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card, the municipal clerk shall require the elector to provide proof of residence under s.

6.34. If the elector cannot provide proof of residence, the elector may have his or her residence corroborated in a statement that is signed by another elector of the municipality and that contains the current street address of the corroborating elector. If the residence is corroborated by another elector, that elector shall then provide proof of residence under s. 6.34. If the elector provides proof of residence or a corroborator corroborates the elector's residence, the clerk shall permit the elector to cast his or her ballot for president and vice president. The elector shall then mark the ballot in the clerk's presence in a manner that will not disclose his or her vote. The elector shall then fold the ballot so as to conceal his or her vote. The clerk or elector shall then place the ballot in an envelope furnished by the clerk.

SECTION 13. 6.15 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.15 (3) PROCEDURE AT POLLING PLACE. An eligible elector may appear at the polling place for the ward or election district where he or she resides and make application for a ballot under sub. (2). Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an elector who casts a ballot under this subsection shall follow the same procedure required for casting a ballot at the municipal clerk's office under sub. (2). The inspectors shall perform the duties of the municipal clerk, except that the inspectors shall return the cancellation card under sub. (2) (b) to the municipal clerk and the clerk shall forward the card as provided in sub. (2) (c) if required. Upon proper completion of the application and cancellation card and submittal of proof of residence under s. 6.34 or providing corroboration of residence verification of the proof of identification and proof of residence or corroboration of residence, whenever required, as provided in sub. (2) (bm), the inspectors shall permit the elector to cast his or her ballot for president and vice president. The elector shall mark the ballot and, unless the ballot is utilized with an electronic voting system, the elector shall

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1	fold the ballot, and deposit the ballot into the ballot box or give it to the inspector.
2	The inspector shall deposit it directly into the ballot box. Voting machines or ballots
3	utilized with electronic voting systems may only be used by electors voting under this
4	section if they permit voting for president and vice president only.
5	SECTION 14. 6.18 of the statutes is amended to read:
6	6.18 Former residents. If ineligible to qualify as an elector in the state to
7	which the elector has moved, any former qualified Wisconsin elector may vote an
8	absentee ballot in the ward of the elector's prior residence in any presidential election
9	occurring within 24 months after leaving Wisconsin by requesting an application
10	form and returning it, properly executed, to the municipal clerk of the elector's prior
11	Wisconsin residence. When requesting an application form for an absentee ballot,
12	the applicant shall specify the applicant's eligibility for only the presidential ballot.
13	The application form shall require the following information and be in substantially
14	the following form:
15	This form shall be returned to the municipal clerk's office. Application must be
16	received in sufficient time for ballots to be mailed and returned prior to any

presidential election at which applicant wishes to vote. Complete all statements in føll.

APPLICATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL

ELECTOR'S ABSENTEE BALLOT.

(To be voted at the Presidential Election

on November, (year)

I, hereby swear or affirm that I am a citizen of the United States, formerly residing at in the ward aldermanic district (city, town, village) of, County of for 10 days prior to leaving the State of Wisconsin. I, do solemnly swear or

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affirm that I do not qualify to register or vote under the laws of the State of(State 1 2 you now reside in) where I am presently residing. A citizen must be a resident of: 3 State(Insert time) County(Insert time) City, Town or Village(Insert time), in order to be eligible to register or vote therein. I further swear or affirm that my 4 5 legal residence was established in the State of(the State where you now reside) 6 on Month Day Year. Signed Address ./..(Present address) 8 9(City)(State) Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of/.... (year) 10 11(Notary Public, or other officer authorized to administer oaths.) 12(County) 13 My Commission expires MAIL/BALLOT TO: 14 15 NAME 16 $A\!\!D D RESS$ CITY STATE ZIP CODE . 17 Penalties for Violations. Whoever swears falsely to any absent elector affidavit 18 19 funder this section may be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than 206 months or both. Whoever intentionally votes more than once in an election may 21be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 3 years and 6 months 22 or both. 23(Municipal Clerk)(Municipality)

Section 15. 6.22 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

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6.22 (4) (b) A military elector's application may be received at any time. The
municipal clerk shall not send $\underline{\text{or transmit}}$ a ballot for an election if the application
is received later than 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding that election. The municipal
clerk shall send <u>or transmit</u> a ballot, as soon as available, to each military elector who
requests files a timely request for a ballot.

Section 16. 6.24 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.24 (4) (c) Upon receipt of a timely application from an individual who qualifies as an overseas elector and who has registered to vote in a municipality under sub. (3), the municipal clerk of the municipality shall send or transmit an absentee ballot to the individual for all subsequent elections for national office to be held during the year in which the ballot is requested, unless the individual otherwise requests or until the individual no longer qualifies as an overseas elector.

SECTION 17. 6.24 (4) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.24 (4) (d) An overseas elector who is not registered may request both a registration form and an absentee ballot at the same time, and the municipal clerk shall send or transmit the ballot automatically if the registration form is received within the time prescribed in s. 6.28 (1). The board shall prescribe a special certificate form for the envelope in which the absentee ballot for overseas electors is contained, which shall be substantially similar to that provided under s. 6.87 (2). An overseas elector shall make and subscribe to the special certificate form before a witness who is an adult U.S. citizen.

Section 18. 6.26 (2) (am) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 19. 6.26 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.26 (2) (b) The municipal clerk, or board of election commissioners, or government accountability board may appoint any applicant who qualifies under

this subsection, unless the applicant's appointment has been revoked by a
municipality or by the board for cause. The municipal clerk, or board of election
commissioners, or government accountability board may revoke an appointment
$made\ by\ the\ clerk, \underline{or}\ board\ of\ election\ commissioners, \underline{or}\ government\ accountability$
board for cause at any time.

Section 20. 6.26 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.26 (2) (c) No individual may serve as a special registration deputy in a municipality unless the individual is appointed by the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality or the individual is appointed by the government accountability board to serve all municipalities and the individual completes training required under s. 7.315.

SECTION 21. 6.26 (2) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.26 (2) (cm) The board and each Each municipal clerk shall maintain a record of the names and addresses of each individual who is appointed by the board or the clerk to serve as a special registration deputy under this section and who has complied with the training requirements for service as a special registration deputy under s. 7.315 (1) (b) 1.

SECTION 22. 6.29 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.29 (1) No names may be added to a registration list for any election after the close of registration, except as authorized under this section or s. 6.55 (2) or 6.86 (3) (a) 2. Any person whose name is not on the registration list but who is otherwise a qualified elector is entitled to vote at the election upon compliance with this section, if the person complies with all other requirements for voting at the polling place.

Section 23. 6.29 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.29 (2) (a) Any qualified elector of a municipality who has not previously filed
a registration form or whose name does not appear on the registration list of the
municipality may register after the close of registration but not later than 5 p.m. or
the close of business, whichever is later, on the day Friday before an election at the
$office\ of\ the\ municipal\ clerk\ and\ at\ the\ office\ of\ the\ clerk's\ agent\ if\ the\ clerk\ delegates$
responsibility for electronic maintenance of the registration list to an agent under
s. $6.33(5)(b)$. The elector shall complete, in the manner provided under s. $6.33(2)$,
a registration form containing all information required under s. $6.33\ (1)$. The
$registration\ form\ shall\ also\ contain\ the\ following\ certification:\ "I,\ hereby\ certify$
that, to the best of my knowledge, I am a qualified elector, having resided at for
at least 10 days immediately preceding this election, and I have not voted at this
election". The elector shall also provide proof of residence under s. 6.34.
Alternatively, if the elector is unable to provide proof of residence under s. 6.34, the
information contained in the registration form shall be corroborated in a statement
that is signed by any other elector of the municipality and that contains the current
street address of the corroborating elector. The corroborating elector shall then
provide proof of residence under s. 6.34. If the elector is registering after the close
of registration for the general election and the elector presents a valid driver's license
issued by another state, the municipal clerk or agent shall record on a separate list
the name and address of the elector, the name of the state, and the license number
and expiration date of the license.

SECTION 24. 6.33 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.33 (1) The board shall prescribe the format, size, and shape of registration forms. All forms shall be printed on cards and each item of information shall be of uniform font size, as prescribed by the board. The municipal clerk shall supply

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sufficient forms to meet voter registration needs. The forms shall be designed to obtain from each applicant information as to name; date; residence location; location of previous residence immediately before moving to current residence location: citizenship; date of birth; age; the number of a current and valid operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343 or the last 4 digits of the elector's social security account number; whether the applicant has resided within the ward or election district for at least 10 days; whether the applicant has been convicted of a felony for which he or she has not been pardoned, and if so, whether the applicant is incarcerated, or on parole, probation, or extended supervision; whether the applicant is disqualified on any other ground from voting; and whether the applicant is currently registered to vote at any other location. The form shall include a space for the applicant's signature and the signature of any corroborating elector. Below the space for the signature, the form shall state "Falsification of information on this form is punishable under Wisconsin law as a Class I felony.". The form shall include a space to enter the name of any special registration deputy under s. 6.26 or 6.55 (6) or inspector, municipal clerk, or deputy clerk under s. 6.55 (2) who obtains the form and a space for the deputy, inspector, clerk, or deputy clerk to sign his or her name. affirming that the deputy, inspector, clerk, or deputy clerk has accepted the form. The form shall include a space for entry of the ward and aldermanic district, if any, where the elector resides and any other information required to determine the offices and referenda for which the elector is certified to vote. The form shall also include a space where the clerk may record an indication of whether the form is received by mail, a space where the clerk may record an indication of the type of identifying document submitted by the elector as proof of residence under s. 6.34, whenever required, and a space where the clerk, for any applicant who possesses a valid voting

identification card issued to the person under s. 6.47 (3), may record the identification serial number appearing on the voting identification card. Each county clerk shall obtain sufficient registration forms for completion by an elector who desires to register to vote at the office of the county clerk under s. 6.28 (4).

SECTION 25. 6.33 (5) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.33 (5) (a) Except as provided in par. (b) and this paragraph, whenever a municipal clerk receives a valid registration or valid change of a name or address under an existing registration and whenever a municipal clerk changes a registration from eligible to ineligible status, the municipal clerk shall promptly enter electronically on the list maintained by the board under s. 6.36 (1) the information required under that subsection, except that the. Except as provided in par. (b) and this paragraph, the municipal clerk may update any entries that change on the date of an election in the municipality other than a general election within 30 days after that the date, and the of that election, and may update any entries that change on the date of a general election within 45 days after the date of that election. The legal counsel of the board may, upon request of a municipal clerk, permit the clerk to update entries that change on the date of a general election within 60 days after that election. The municipal clerk shall provide to the board information that is confidential under s. 6.47 (2) in such manner as the board prescribes.

Section 26. 6.34 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.34 (2) Except as authorized in ss. 6.29 (2) (a) and 6.86 (3) (a) 2., upon Upon completion of a registration form prescribed under s. 6.33, each eligible elector who is required to register under s. 6.27, who is not a military elector or an overseas elector, and who registers after the close of registration under s. 6.29 or 6.86 (3) (a) 2., shall provide an identifying document that establishes proof of residence under

sub. (3). Each <u>eligible</u> elector who is required to register under s. 6.27, who is not a
military elector or an overseas elector, who registers by mail, and who has not voted
in an election in this state shall, if voting in person, provide an identifying document
that establishes proof of residence under sub. (3) or, if voting by absentee ballot,
provide a copy of an identifying document that establishes proof of residence under
sub. (3). If the elector registered by mail, the identifying document may not be a
residential lease.

SECTION 27. 6.34 (3) (a) 7. of the statutes is renumbered 6.34 (3) (a) 7. (intro.) and amended to read:

6.34 (3) (a) 7. (intro.) Any of the following documents without the address specified in par. (b):

a. A university, college, or technical college fee or identification card that contains a photograph of the cardholder. A card under this subdivision that does not contain the information specified in par. (b) shall be considered proof of residence together with a fee payment receipt issued to the cardholder by the university, college, or technical college dated no earlier than 9 months before the date of the election at which the receipt is presented.

b. An identification card issued by a university, college or technical college that contains a photograph of the cardholder if the university, college, or technical college that issued the card provides a certified and current list of students who reside in housing sponsored by the university, college, or technical college and who are U.S. citizens to the municipal clerk prior to the election showing the current address of the students and if the municipal clerk, special registration deputy, or inspector verifies that the student presenting the card is included on the list.

Section 28. 6.34 (3) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.34 (3) (b) (intro.) The Except as provided in par. (a) 7., the identifying
documents prescribed in par. (a) shall contain all of the following in order to be
considered proof of residence:
SECTION 29. 6.36 (1) (b) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:
6.36 (1) (b) 1. a. No Except as provided in pars. (bm) and (bn), no person other
than an employee of the board, a county clerk, a deputy county clerk, an executive
director of a county board of election commissioners, a deputy designated by the
executive director, a municipal clerk, a deputy municipal clerk, an executive director
of a city board of election commissioners, or a deputy designated by the executive
director may view the date of birth, operator's license number, or social security
account number of an elector, the address of an elector to whom an identification
serial number is issued under s. 6.47 (3), or any indication of an accommodation
required under s. 5.25 (4) (a) to permit voting by an elector.
Section 30. 6.36 (1) (bm) and (bn) of the statutes are created to read:
6.36 (1) (bm) The board or any municipal clerk or board of election
commissioners may transfer any information in the registration list to which access
is restricted under par. (b) 1. a. to a law enforcement agency, as defined in s. 165.77
(1) (b), to be used for law enforcement purposes.
(bn) The board may transfer any information in the registration list to which
access is restricted under par. (b) 1. a. to a subunit of the state government of another
state to be used for official purposes.
SECTION 31. 6.36 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
6.36 (2) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), each registration list prepared for use

as a poll list at a polling place or for purposes of canvassing absentee ballots at an

election shall contain the full name and address of each registered elector; a blank

column for the entry of the serial number of the electors when they vote or the poll list number used by the municipal board of absentee ballot canvassers in canvassing absentee ballots; an indication next to the name of each elector for whom proof of residence under s. 6.34 is required; a space for entry of the elector's signature, or if another person signed the elector's registration form for the elector by reason of the elector's physical disability, the word "exempt"; and a form of certificate bearing the certification of the administrator of the elections division of the board stating that the list is a true and complete registration list of the municipality or the ward or wards for which the list is prepared. The board shall, by rule, prescribe the space and location for entry of each elector's signature on the poll list which shall provide for entry of the signature without changing the orientation of the poll list from the orientation used by the election officials.

SECTION 32. 6.36 (5) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 33. 6.40(1)(a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.40 (1) (a) 1. Any registered elector shall may transfer registration after a change of residence within the state by filing in person with the municipal clerk of the municipality where the elector resides or by mailing to the municipal clerk a signed request stating his or her present address, affirming that this will be his or her residence for 10 days prior to the election and providing the address where he or she was last registered. Alternatively, the elector may transfer his or her registration at the proper polling place or other registration location under s. 6.02 (2) in accordance with s. 6.55 (2) (a). If an elector is voting in the ward or election district where the elector formerly resided, the change shall be effective for the next election.

SECTION 34. 6.55 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

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6.55 (2) (b) Upon executing the registration form under par. (a), the elector shall provide proof of residence under s. 6.34. If the elector cannot provide proof of residence, the information contained in the registration form shall be corroborated in a statement that is signed by any elector who resides in the same municipality as the registering elector and that contains the current street address of the corroborating elector. The corroborator shall then provide proof of residence as provided in s. 6.34. If the elector is registering to vote in the general election and the elector presents a valid driver's license issued by another state, the inspector or deputy shall record on a separate list the name and address of the elector, the name of the state, and the license number and expiration date of the license. The signing by the elector executing the registration form and by any corroborator shall be in the presence of the special registration deputy or inspector who shall then print his or her name on and sign the form, indicating that the deputy or inspector has accepted the form. Upon compliance with this procedure, the elector shall be permitted to cast his or her vote, if the elector complies with all other requirements for voting at the polling place.

SECTION 35. 6.55 (2) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.55 (2) (c) 1. As an alternative to registration at the polling place under pars.

(a) and (b), the board of election commissioners, or the governing body of any municipality may by resolution require a person who qualifies as an elector and who is not registered and desires to register on the day of an election to do so at another readily accessible location in the same building as the polling place serving the elector's residence or at an alternate polling place assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b), instead of at the polling place serving the elector's residence. In such case, the municipal clerk shall prominently post a notice of the registration location at the

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polling place. The An eligible elector who desires to register shall execute a registration form as prescribed under par. (a) and provide proof of residence as provided under s. 6.34. If the elector cannot provide proof of residence, the information contained in the registration form shall be corroborated in the manner provided in par. (b). If the elector is registering to vote in the general election and the elector presents a valid driver's license issued by another state, the municipal clerk, deputy clerk, or special registration deputy shall record on a separate list the name and address of the elector, the name of the state, and the license number and expiration date of the license. The signing by the elector person executing the registration form and by any corroborator shall be in the presence of the municipal clerk, deputy clerk or special registration deputy. The municipal clerk, the deputy clerk, or the special registration deputy shall then print his or her name and sign the form, indicating that the clerk, deputy clerk, or deputy has accepted the form. Upon proper completion of registration, the municipal clerk, deputy clerk or special registration deputy shall serially number the registration and give one copy to the elector person for presentation at the polling place serving the elector's person's residence or an alternate polling place assigned under s. 5.25 (5) (b).

SECTION 36. 6.55 (2) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.55 (2) (c) 2. Upon compliance with the procedures under subd. 1., the municipal clerk or deputy clerk shall issue a certificate addressed to the inspectors of the proper polling place directing that the elector be permitted to cast his or her vote if the elector complies with all requirements for voting at the polling place. The clerk shall enter the name and address of the elector on the face of the certificate. If the elector's registration is corroborated, the clerk shall also enter the name and address of the corroborator on the face of the certificate. The certificate shall be

numbered serially and prepared in duplicate. The municipal clerk shall preserve one copy in his or her office.

SECTION 37. 6.79 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.79 (1m) SEPARATE POLL LISTS. Two election officials at each election ward shall be in charge of and shall maintain 2 separate poll lists containing information relating to all persons voting. The municipal clerk may elect to maintain the information on the lists manually or electronically. If the lists are maintained electronically, the board shall prescribe a supplemental list that contains the full name, address, and space for the entry of the signature of each elector, or if the elector is exempt from the signature requirement under s. 6.36 (2) (a), the word "exempt". If the lists are maintained electronically, the officials shall enter the information into an electronic data recording system that enables retrieval of printed copies of the lists at the polling place. The system employed is subject to the approval of the board.

SECTION 38. 6.79 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.79 (2) (a) Unless information on the poll list is entered electronically, the municipal clerk shall supply the inspectors with 2 copies of the most current official registration list or lists prepared under s. 6.36 (2) (a) for use as poll lists at the polling place. Except as provided in sub. subs. (6) to (8), each person eligible elector, before receiving a serial number, shall state his or her full name and address and present to the officials proof of identification. The officials shall verify that the name on the proof of identification presented by the elector conforms to the name on the poll list or separate list and shall verify that any photograph appearing on that document reasonably resembles the elector. The officials shall then require the elector to enter his or her signature on the poll list, supplemental list, or separate list maintained under par. (c) unless the elector is exempt from the signature requirement under s.

6.36 (2) (a). The officials shall verify that the name and address provided stated by
the person are the same as elector conform to the person's elector's name and address
on the poll list.

SECTION 39. 6.79 (2) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

6.79 (2) (am) If an elector previously signed his or her registration form or is exempt from a registration requirement and is unable, due to physical disability, to enter his or her signature at the election, the officials shall waive the signature requirement if the officials determine that the elector is unable, due to physical disability, to enter his or her signature. In this case, the officials shall enter next to the name and address of the elector on the poll, supplemental, or separate list the words "exempt by order of inspectors". If both officials do not waive the signature requirement and the elector wishes to vote, the official or officials who do not waive the requirement shall require the elector to vote by ballot and shall challenge the elector's ballot as provided in s. 6.92 and treat the ballot in the manner provided in s. 6.95. The challenged elector may then provide evidence of his or her physical disability to the board of canvassers charged with initially canvassing the returns prior to the completion of the initial canvass.

SECTION 40. 6.79 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.79 (2) (d) If the poll list indicates that proof of residence under s. 6.34 is required and the document provided by the elector under par. (a) does not constitute proof of residence under s. 6.34, the officials shall require the elector to provide proof of residence. If proof of residence is provided, the officials shall verify that the name and address on the identification document submitted as proof of residence provided is the same as the name and address shown on the registration list. If proof of residence is required and not provided, or if the elector does not present proof of

1	dentification under par. (a), whenever required, the officials shall offer the	ıe
2	opportunity for the elector to vote under s. 6.97.	

SECTION 41. 6.79 (3) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.79 (3) (title) Refusal to give name and address provide name, address, or proof of identification.

Section 42. 6.79 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 6.79 (3) (a).

SECTION 43. 6.79 (3) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

6.79 (3) (b) If proof of identification under sub. (2) is not presented by the elector, if the name appearing on the document presented does not conform to the name on the poll list or separate list, or if any photograph appearing on the document does not reasonably resemble the elector, the elector shall not be permitted to vote, except as authorized under subs. (6) to (8), but if the elector is entitled to cast a provisional ballot under s. 6.97, the officials shall offer the opportunity for the elector to vote under s. 6.97.

Section 44. 6.79 (4) of the statutes is amended to/read:

6.79 (4) SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION. When any elector provides proof of residence under s. 6.15, 6.29 or 6.55 (2), the election officials shall enter the type of identifying document provided on the poll list, or separate list maintained under sub. (2) (c). If the document submitted as proof of identity or residence includes a number which applies only to the individual holding that document, the election officials shall also enter that number on the list. When any elector corroborates the registration identity or residence of any person offering to vote under s. 6.55 (2) (b) or (c), or the registration identity or residence of any person registering on election day under s. 6.86 (3) (a) 2., the election officials shall also enter the name and address of the corroborator next to the name of the elector whose information is being

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1	corroborated on the poll list, or the separate list maintained under sub. (2) (c) . When
-	any person offering to vote has been challenged and taken the oath, following the
· ·	person's name on the poll list, the officials shall enter the word "Sworn".

Section 45. 6.79 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.79 (6) CONFIDENTIAL NAMES AND ADDRESSES. An elector who has a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2) may present his or her identification card issued under s. 6.47 (3), or give his or her name and identification serial number issued under s. 6.47 (3), in lieu of stating his or her name and address and presenting proof of identification under sub. (2). If the elector's name and identification serial number appear on the confidential portion of the list, the inspectors shall issue a voting serial number to the elector, record that number on the poll list and permit the elector to vote.

Section 46. 6.79 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

6.79 (7) LICENSE SURRENDER. If an elector receives a citation or notice of intent to revoke or suspend an operator's license from a law enforcement officer in any jurisdiction that is dated within 60 days of the date of an election and is required to surrender his or her operator's license or driving receipt issued to the elector under ch. 343 at the time the citation or notice is issued, the elector may present an original copy of the citation or notice in lieu of an operator's license or driving receipt issued under ch. 343. In such case, the elector shall cast his or her ballot under s. 6.965.

SECTION 47. 6.79 (8) of the statutes is created to read:

6.79 (8) ELECTORS WHO ARE AT LEAST 65 YEARS OF AGE. If an elector states to the election officials that he or she is at least 65 years of age and has resided at his or her current residence for a period that includes at least the 2 most recent general elections, the elector is exempt from the requirement to present proof of

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identification. The inspectors shall enter on the poll list next to the name of each such elector the word "exempt."

Section 48. 6.82 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.82 (1) (a) When any inspectors are informed that an eligible elector is at the entrance to the polling place who as a result of disability is unable to enter the polling place, they shall permit the elector to be assisted in marking a ballot by any individual selected by the elector, except the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector. The Except as authorized in s. 6.79 (6) to (8), the individual selected by the elector shall present to the inspectors proof of identification and, if the proof of identification does not constitute proof of residence under s. 6.34, shall also provide proof of residence under s. 6.34 for the assisted elector, whenever required, and all other information necessary for the elector to obtain a ballot under s. 6.79 (2). The inspectors shall verify that the name on the proof of identification presented by the person assisting the elector conforms to the elector's name on the poll list or separate list and shall verify that any photograph appearing on that document reasonably resembles the elector. The inspectors shall then issue a ballot to the individual selected by the elector and shall accompany the individual to the polling place entrance where the assistance is to be given. If the ballot is a paper ballot, the assisting individual shall fold the ballot after the ballot is marked by the assisting individual. The assisting individual shall then immediately take the ballot into the polling place and give the ballot to an inspector. The inspector shall distinctly announce that he or she has "a ballot offered by (stating person's name), an elector who, as a result of disability, is unable to enter the polling place without assistance". The inspector shall then ask, "Does anyone object to the reception of this ballot?" If

no objection is made, the inspectors shall record the elector's name under s. 6.79 and
deposit the ballot in the ballot box, and shall make a notation on the poll list: "Ballot
received at poll entrance".

- **SECTION 49.** 6.85 of the statutes is amended to read:
- **6.85 Absent elector; definition electors. (1)** An absent elector is any otherwise qualified elector who for any reason is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place in his or her ward or election district.
- (2) Any otherwise qualified elector who changes residence within this state by moving to a different ward or municipality later than 10 days prior to an election may vote an absentee ballot in the ward or municipality where he or she was qualified to vote before moving.
- (3) An <u>absent</u> elector qualifying under this section may vote by absentee ballot under ss. 6.86 to 6.89.

SECTION 50. 6.86 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.86 (1) (b) Except as provided in this section, if application is made by mail, the application, signed by the elector, shall be received no later than 5 p.m. on the 5th day immediately preceding the election. If application is made in person, the application shall be made no earlier than the opening of business on the 3rd Monday preceding the election and no later than 5 p.m. or the close of business, whichever is later, on the day Friday preceding the election. If Except as provided in par. (c), if the elector is making written application for an absentee ballot at the September primary or general election and the application indicates that the elector is a military elector, as defined in s. 6.36 (2) (c) 6.34 (1), the application shall be received by the municipal clerk no later than 5 p.m. on election day. If the application indicates that the reason for requesting an absentee ballot is that the elector is a sequestered juror,

the application shall be received no later than 5 p.m. on election day. If the application is received after 5 p.m. on the Friday immediately preceding the election, the municipal clerk or the clerk's agent shall immediately take the ballot to the court in which the elector is serving as a juror and deposit it with the judge. The judge shall recess court, as soon as convenient, and give the elector the ballot. The judge shall then witness the voting procedure as provided in s. 6.87 and shall deliver the ballot to the clerk or agent of the clerk who shall deliver it to the polling place or, in municipalities where absentee ballots are canvassed under s. 7.52, to the municipal clerk as required in s. 6.88. If application is made under sub. (2) or (2m), the application may be received no later than 5 p.m. on the Friday immediately preceding the election.

SECTION 51. $6.86\,(2m)$ of the statutes is renumbered $6.86\,(2m)\,(a)$ and amended to read:

6.86 (2m) (a) An Except as provided in this subsection, any elector other than an elector who is eligible to receive absentee ballots under sub. (2) receives an absentee ballot under sub. (2) or s. 6.22 (4) or 6.24 (4) (c) may by written application filed with the municipal clerk of the municipality where the elector resides require that an absentee ballot be sent or transmitted to the elector automatically for every election that is held within the same calendar year in which the application is filed. The application form and instructions shall be prescribed by the board, and furnished upon request to any elector by each municipal clerk. The municipal clerk shall thereupon mail or transmit an absentee ballot to the elector for all elections that are held in the municipality during the same calendar year that the application is filed, except that the clerk shall not send an absentee ballot for an election if the elector's name appeared on the registration list in eligible status for a previous

election following the date of the application but no longer appears on the list in
eligible status. The municipal clerk shall ensure that the any envelope containing
the absentee ballot is clearly marked as not forwardable. If an elector who files an
application under this subsection no longer resides at the same address that is
indicated on the application form, the elector shall so notify the municipal clerk. The
municipal clerk shall discontinue mailing or transmitting absentee ballots to an
elector under this subsection upon receipt of reliable information that the elector no
longer qualifies for the service as an elector of the municipality. In addition, the
municipal clerk shall discontinue mailing or transmitting absentee ballots to an
elector under this subsection if the elector fails to return any absentee ballot mailed
or transmitted to the elector. The municipal clerk shall notify the elector of any such
action not taken at the elector's request within 5 days, if possible. An elector who
fails to cast an absentee ballot but who remains qualified to receive absentee ballots
under this subsection may then receive absentee ballots for subsequent elections by
notifying the municipal clerk that the elector wishes to continue receiving absentee
ballots for subsequent elections.

(b) If a municipal clerk is notified by an elector that the elector's residence is changed to another municipality within this state, the municipal clerk shall forward the request to the municipal clerk of that municipality and that municipal clerk shall honor the request, except as provided in this subsection.

Section 52. 6.86 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.86 (3) (a) 1. Any elector who is registered and who is hospitalized, may apply for and obtain an official ballot by agent. The agent may apply for and obtain a ballot for the hospitalized absent elector by presenting a form prescribed by the board and containing the required information supplied by the hospitalized elector and signed

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by that elector and any other elector residing in the same municipality as the hospitalized elector, corroborating the information contained therein. The corroborating elector shall state on the form his or her full name and address, unless the elector is unable to sign due to physical disability. In this case, the elector may authorize another elector to sign on his or her behalf. Any elector signing an application on another elector's behalf shall attest to a statement that the application is made on request and by authorization of the named elector, who is unable to sign the application due to physical disability.

SECTION 53. 6.86 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.86 (3) (a) 2. If a hospitalized elector is not registered, the elector may register by agent under this subdivision at the same time that the elector applies for an official ballot by agent under subd. 1. To register the elector under this subdivision, the agent shall present a completed registration form that contains the required information supplied by the elector and the elector's signature, unless the elector is unable to sign due to physical disability. In this case, the elector may authorize another elector to sign on his or her behalf. Any elector signing a form on another elector's behalf shall attest to a statement that the application is made on request and by authorization of the named elector, who is unable to sign the form due to physical disability. The agent shall present this statement along with all other information required under this subdivision. Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the The agent shall in every case provide proof of the elector's residence under s. 6.34. If the elector is registering to vote in the general election and the agent presents a valid driver's license issued to the elector by another state, the municipal clerk shall record on a separate list the name and address of the elector, the name of the state, and the license number and expiration date of the license. If the agent

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cannot present proof of residence, the registration form shall be signed and substantiated by another elector residing in the elector's municipality of residence, corroborating the information in the form. The form shall contain the full name and address of the corroborating elector. The agent shall then present proof of the corroborating elector's residence under s. 6.34.

SECTION 54. 6.86 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.86 (3) (c) An application under par. (a) 1. may be made and a registration form under par. (a) 2. may be filed in person at the office of the municipal clerk not earlier than 7 days before an election and not later than 5 p.m. on the day of the election. A list of hospitalized electors applying for ballots under par. (a) 1. shall be made by the municipal clerk and used to check that the electors vote only once, and by absentee ballot. If the elector is registering for the election after the close of registration or if the elector registered by mail and has not voted in an election in this state, the municipal clerk shall inform the agent that proof of residence under s. 6.34 is required and the elector shall enclose proof of residence under s. 6.34 in the envelope with the ballot. The clerk shall verify that the name on any required proof of identification presented by the agent conforms to the name on the elector's application. The clerk shall then enter his or her initials on the carrier envelope indicating that the agent presented proof of identification to the clerk. The agent is not required to enter a signature on the registration list. The ballot shall be sealed by the elector and returned to the municipal clerk either by mail or by personal delivery of the agent; but if the ballot is returned on the day of the election, the agent shall make personal delivery to the polling place serving the hospitalized elector's residence before the closing hour or, in municipalities where absentee ballots are canvassed under s. 7.52, to the municipal clerk no later than 8 p.m. on election day.

SECTION 55. 6.87 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.87 (2) Except as authorized under sub. (3) (d), the municipal clerk shall place the ballot in an unsealed envelope furnished by the clerk. The envelope shall have the name, official title and post-office address of the clerk upon its face. The other side of the envelope shall have a printed certificate. The certificate shall also include a space for the municipal clerk or deputy clerk to enter his or her initials indicating that the elector is exempt from providing proof of identification because the individual is a military or overseas elector. The certificate shall be in substantially the following form:

[STATE OF

County of]

or

[(name of foreign country and city or other jurisdictional unit)]

I,, certify subject to the penalties of s. 12.60 (1) (b), Wis. Stats., for false statements, that I am a resident of the [.... ward of the] (town) (village) of, or of the aldermanic district in the city of, residing at* in said city, the county of, state of Wisconsin, and am entitled to vote in the (ward) (election district) at the election to be held on; that I am not voting at any other location in this election; that I am unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place in the (ward) (election district) on election day or have changed my residence within the state from one ward or election district to another within—later than 10 days before the election. I certify that I exhibited the enclosed ballot unmarked to the witness, that I then in (his) (her) presence and in the presence of no other person marked the ballot and enclosed and sealed the same in this envelope in such a manner that no one but myself and any

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1	person rendering assistance under s. 6.87 (5), Wis. Stats., if I requested assistance,
2	could know how I voted.
3	Signed
4	Identification serial number, if any:
5	The witness shall execute the following:
6	I, the undersigned witness, subject to the penalties of s. 12.60 (1) (b), Wis.
7	Stats., for false statements, certify that I am an adult U.S. citizen and that the above
8	statements are true and the voting procedure was executed as there stated. I am not
9	a candidate for any office on the enclosed ballot (except in the case of an incumbent
10	municipal clerk). I did not solicit or advise the elector to vote for or against any
11	candidate or measure.
12	(Name)
13	(Address)**
14	* — An elector who provides an identification serial number issued under s.
15	6.47 (3), Wis. Stats., need not provide a street address.
16	** — If this form is executed before 2 special voting deputies under s. 6.875 (6),
17	Wis. Stats., both deputies shall witness and sign.
18	Section 56. 6.87 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:
19	6.87 (3) (d) A municipal clerk may shall, if the clerk is reliably informed by an
20	absent elector of a facsimile transmission number or electronic mail address where
21	the elector can receive an absentee ballot, transmit a facsimile or electronic copy of
22	the absent elector's ballot to that elector in lieu of mailing under this subsection if,
23	in the judgment of the clerk, the time required to send the ballot through the mail
24	may not be sufficient to enable return of the ballot by the time provided under sub.
25	(6). An elector may receive an absentee ballot under this subsection only if the elector

has filed a valid application for the ballot under s. 6.86 (1). If the clerk transmits an absentee ballot under this paragraph to an absent elector electronically, the clerk shall also transmit a facsimile or electronic copy of the text of the material that appears on the certificate envelope prescribed in sub. (2), together with instructions prescribed by the board. The instructions shall require the absent elector to make and subscribe to the certification as required under sub. (4) (b) and to enclose the absentee ballot in a separate envelope contained within a larger envelope, that shall include the completed certificate. The elector shall then affix sufficient postage unless the absentee ballot qualifies for mailing free of postage under federal free postage laws and shall mail the absentee ballot to the municipal clerk. Except as authorized in s. 6.97 (2), an absentee ballot received under this paragraph from an elector who receives the ballot electronically shall not be counted unless it is cast in the manner prescribed in this paragraph and sub. (4) and in accordance with the instructions provided by the board.

Section 57. 6.87 (4) (b) 6. of the statutes is created to read:

6.87 (4) (b) 6. If an absentee elector indicates on his or her application that he or she is at least 65 years of age and has resided at his or her current residence for a period that includes at least the 2 most recent general elections, the elector is exempt from the requirement to present proof of identification.

Section 58. 6.87 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.87 (6) Except as provided in s. 6.221 (3), the ballot shall be returned so it is received by the municipal clerk no later than 8 p.m. on election day. Except in municipalities where absentee ballots are canvassed under s. 7.52, if the municipal clerk receives an absentee ballot on election day, the clerk shall secure the ballot and cause the ballot to be delivered to the polling place serving the elector's residence

1	before the closing hour. Except as provided in s. 6.221 (3), the any ballot not mailed
2	or delivered as provided in this subsection may not be counted.
3	SECTION 59. 6.875 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:
4	6.875 (title) Absentee voting in nursing and retirement certain homes
5	and certain community-based residential, facilities, and complexes.
6	Section 60. 6.875 (1) (ap) and (asm) of the statutes are created to read:
7	6.875 (1) (ap) "Qualified adult family home" means a facility that is certified
8	or licensed to operate as an adult family home under s. $50.032\mathrm{or}50.033\mathrm{that}\mathrm{qualifies}$
9	under sub. (2) (d) to utilize the procedures under this section.
10	(asm) "Qualified residential care apartment complex" means a facility that is
11	certified or registered to operate as a residential care apartment complex under s.
12	50.034(1)thatqualifiesundersub.(2)(d)toutilizetheproceduresunderthissection.
13	SECTION 61. 6.875 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
14	6.875 (2) (a) The procedures prescribed in this section are the exclusive means
15	of absentee voting for electors who are occupants of nursing homes, qualified
16	community-based residential facilities or, qualified retirement homes, qualified
17	residential care apartment complexes, and qualified adult family homes.
18	Section 62. 6.875 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:
19	6.875 (2) (d) The municipal clerk or board of election commissioners of any
20	municipality where a residential care apartment complex certified or registered
21	$under\ s.\ 50.034\ (1)\ or\ an\ adult\ family\ home\ certified\ under\ s.\ 50.032\ or\ licensed\ under\ s.$
22	s. 50.033 is located may adopt the procedures under this section for absentee voting
23	in any such residential care apartment complex or adult family home located in the
24	municipality if the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners finds that
25	there are a significant number of the occupants of the complex or home who lack

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adequate transportation to the appropriate polling place, a significant number of the occupants of the complex or home may need assistance in voting, there are a significant number of the occupants of the complex or home aged 60 or over, or there are a significant number of indefinitely confined electors who are occupants of the complex or home.

Section 63. 6.875 (3) and (4) of the statutes are amended to read:

6.875 (3) An occupant of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or, qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, or qualified adult family home who qualifies as an absent elector and desires to receive an absentee ballot shall make application under s. 6.86 (1), (2), or (2m) with the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality in which the elector is a resident. The clerk or board of election commissioners of a municipality receiving an application from an elector who is an occupant of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or, qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, or qualified adult family home located in a different municipality shall, as soon as possible, notify and transmit an absentee ballot for the elector to the clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality in which the home or qualified community-based residential, facility or complex is located. The clerk or board of election commissioners of a municipality receiving an application from an elector who is an occupant of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or, qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, or qualified adult family home located in the municipality but who is a resident of a different municipality shall, as soon as possible, notify and request transmission of an absentee ballot from the clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality in which the elector is a resident.

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The clerk or board of election commissioners shall make a record of all absentee ballots to be transmitted, delivered, and voted under this section.

(4) (a) For the purpose of absentee voting in nursing homes and, qualified retirement homes and, qualified community-based residential facilities, qualified residential care apartment complexes, and qualified adult family homes, the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners of each municipality in which one more nursing homes or, qualified retirement homes or, qualified community-based residential facilities, qualified residential care apartment complexes, or qualified adult family homes are located shall appoint at least 2 special voting deputies for the municipality. Upon application under s. 6.86 (1), (2), or (2m) by one or more qualified electors who are occupants of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified community-based residential, facility, or complex, the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality in which the home or, facility, or complex is located shall dispatch 2 special voting deputies to visit the home or qualified community-based residential, facility, or complex for the purpose of supervising absentee voting procedure by occupants of the home or qualified community-based residential, facility, or complex. The clerk shall maintain a list, available to the public upon request, of each nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified community-based residential, facility, or complex where an elector has requested an absentee ballot. The list shall include the date and time the deputies intend to visit each home or, facility, or complex. The 2 deputies designated to visit each nursing home or, qualified retirement home qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, and qualified adult family home shall be affiliated with different political parties whenever deputies representing different parties are available.

(b) Nominations for the special voting deputy positions described in par. (a) may be submitted by the 2 recognized political parties whose candidates for governor or president received the greatest numbers of votes in the municipality at the most recent general election. The deputies shall be specially appointed to carry out the duties under par. (a) for the period specified in s. 7.30 (6) (a). The clerk or board of election commissioners may revoke an appointment at any time. No individual who is employed or retained, or within the 2 years preceding appointment has been employed or retained, at a nursing home or, qualified retirement home or, qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, or qualified adult family home in the municipality, or any member of the individual's immediate family, as defined in s. 19.42 (7), may be appointed to serve as a deputy.

SECTION 64. 6.875 (6) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

6.875 (6) (a) Special voting deputies in each municipality shall, not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding an election, arrange one or more convenient times with the administrator of each nursing home, qualified retirement home, and qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, and qualified adult family home in the municipality from which one or more occupants have filed an application under s. 6.86 to conduct absentee voting for the election. The time may be no earlier than the 4th Monday preceding the election and no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding the election. The municipal clerk shall post a notice at the home er, facility, or complex indicating the date and time that absentee voting will take place at that home er, facility, or complex. The notice shall be posted as soon as practicable after arranging the visit but in no case less than 24 hours before the visit. At the designated time, 2 deputies appointed under sub. (4) shall visit the home er, facility, or complex.

(b) The municipal clerk or executive director of the board of election commissioners shall issue a supply of absentee ballots to the deputies sufficient to provide for the number of valid applications for an absentee ballot received by the clerk, and a reasonable additional number of ballots. The deputies may exercise the authority granted to the chief inspector under s. 7.41 to regulate the conduct of observers. For purposes of the application of s. 7.41, the home ex, facility, or complex shall be treated as a polling place. The municipal clerk or executive director shall keep a careful record of all ballots issued to the deputies and shall require the deputies to return every ballot issued to them.

SECTION 65. 6.875 (6) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.875 (6) (c) 1. Upon their visit to the home ex, facility, or complex under par.

(a), the deputies shall personally offer each elector who has filed a proper application for an absentee ballot the opportunity to cast his or her absentee ballot. No elector who votes at the home, facility, or complex with the assistance of the deputies is required to present proof of identification. If an elector is present who has not filed a proper application for an absentee ballot, the 2 deputies may accept an application from the elector and shall issue a ballot to the elector if the elector is qualified and the application is proper. The deputies shall each witness the certification and may, upon request of the elector, assist the elector in marking the elector's ballot. All voting shall be conducted in the presence of the deputies. Upon request of the elector, a relative of the elector who is present in the room may assist the elector in marking the elector's ballot. No individual other than a deputy may witness the certification and no individual other than a deputy or relative of an elector may render voting assistance to the elector.

Section 66. 6.875 (6) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

6.875 (6) (c) 2. Upon the request of a relative of an occupant of a nursing home er, qualified retirement home er, qualified community-based residential facility, qualified residential care apartment complex, or qualified adult family home, the administrator of the home er, facility, or complex may notify the relative of the time or times at which special voting deputies will conduct absentee voting at the home er, facility, or complex and permit the relative to be present in the room where the voting is conducted.

Section 67. 6.875 (6) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.875 (6) (e) If a qualified elector is not able to cast his or her ballot on 2 separate visits by the deputies to the home or, facility, or complex, the deputies shall so inform the municipal clerk or executive director of the board of election commissioners, who may then send the ballot to the elector no later than 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding the election.

Section 68. 6.875 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.875 (7) One observer from each of the 2 recognized political parties whose candidate for governor or president received the greatest number of votes in the municipality at the most recent general election may accompany the deputies to each home or, facility, or complex where absentee voting will take place under this section. The observers may observe the process of absentee ballot distribution in the common areas of the home or, facility, or complex. Each party wishing to have an observer present shall submit the name of the observer to the clerk or board of election commissioners no later than the close of business on the last business day prior to the visit.

SECTION 69. 6.92 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.92 (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), each inspector shall challenge for cause any person offering to vote whom the inspector knows or suspects is not a qualified elector or who does not adhere to any voting requirement under this chapter. If a person is challenged as unqualified by an inspector, one of the inspectors shall administer the following oath or affirmation to the person: "You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will fully and truly answer all questions put to you regarding your place of residence and qualifications as an elector of this election"; and shall then ask questions which are appropriate as determined by the board, by rule, to test the person's qualifications.

Section 70. 6.965 of the statutes is created to read:

6.965 Voting procedure for electors presenting citation or notice in lieu of license or receipt. Whenever any elector is allowed to vote at a polling place under s. 6.79 (7) by presenting a citation or notice of intent to revoke or suspend an operator's license in lieu of an operator's license or driving receipt issued to the elector under ch. 343, the inspectors shall, before giving the elector a ballot, write on the back of the ballot the serial number of the elector corresponding to the number kept at the election on the poll list or other list maintained under s. 6.79 and the notation "s. 6.965." If voting machines are used in the municipality where the elector is voting, the elector's vote may be received only upon an absentee ballot furnished by the municipal clerk which shall have the notation "s. 6.965" written on the back of the ballot by the inspectors before the ballot is given to the elector. The inspectors shall indicate on the poll list or other list maintained under s. 6.79 the fact that the elector is voting by using a citation or notice in lieu of a license or driving receipt. The inspectors shall then deposit the ballot. The ballot shall then be counted under s. 5.85, or under s. 7.51 or 7.52.