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2013 SENATE BILL 261

August 21, 2013 – Introduced by Senators LAZICH, LEIBHAM, VUKMIR, KEDZIE, GROTHMAN and DARLING, cosponsored by Representatives BERNIER, STRACHOTA, T. LARSON, SANFELIPPO and PRIDEMORE. Referred to Elections and Urban Affairs.

AN ACT ***to create*** 6.87 (6d) of the statutes; **relating to:** witness address required for valid absentee ballot.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, in order to vote using an absentee ballot, an individual must complete a certificate, which certifies that the individual is a qualified elector. The individual must sign the certificate in the presence of a witness who must also sign the certificate and provide his or her name and address. Under this bill, an absentee ballot may not be counted if the certificate is missing the address of a witness.

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

SECTION 1. 6.87 (6d) of the statutes is created to read:

6.87 **(6d)** If a certificate is missing the address of a witness, the ballot may not be counted.

(END)