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RE: Redraft of LRB 2886

Thanks, Tracy. Also, Section 4 was just my quick 5 minute attempt to draft something. Feel free to make whatever changes you see fit for the p draft.

Thanks,

Zach

From: Kuczenski, Tracy

Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 10:59 AM

To: Bemis, Zach

Subject: RE: Redraft of LRB 2886

Hi Zach -

No problem. I'll prepare a new P-draft for the senator incorporating these changes, and will let you know if I run into any problems..

Tracy

Tracy K. Kuczenski
Senior Legislative Attorney
Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau
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From: Bemis, Zach

Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 10:39 AM

To: Kuczenski, Tracy

Subject: Redraft of LRB 2886

Hi Tracy,

We need a new version of LRB 2886/2 drafted for introduction as a new bill.

- \checkmark 1) Section 1 of the bill.
 - a. We want it clear that the "No later than June 15" language applies to that entire first paragraph (lines 2-6). I think that by breaking it into two sentences it becomes ambiguous whether or not the June 15 date applies. Maybe we could convert it back into one sentence?
- √2) Section 2 of the bill.
 - a. It is clear in the language that the voter has 30 days to apply for a continuation of registration, but it is not clear when the board must change the registration status to ineligible.
 - b. Could we have this redrafted so that the change of status must be done within 30 days as well? As GAB explains it, the change to ineligible is a computer process that runs automatically 30 days after the post cards are sent out, so logistically I think the 30 day requirement would be fine.
 - 3) Section 3 of the bill.

- a. This section contains delegation language. We want it to be that the Board MAY delegate responsibility to change the registration status of electors when required under sub. (2). We do NOT want the board to be able to delegate the responsibility to mail to the electors of that municipality a notice of suspension under sub. (1).
- 4) New language requiring certain data published on the GAB website.
 - a. As soon as practicable, but no later than August 1 following the completion of the process in 6.50(1) and (2) the board shall publish on its website information(data?) resulting from that process, including the total number of postcards sent, the total number of postcards returned undeliverable, the total number of postcards returned requesting continuation of registration; the total number of postcards returned requesting cancellation; the total number of postcards returned deceased; the total number of postcards not returned; the total number of electors' status changed from eligible to ineligible; and other data the board may elect or legislature may request.

Please call with any questions.

Thanks,

Zach Bemis

Legislative Assistant Office of State Senator Mary Lazich 28th Senate District (608) 266-5400



State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



2013 **SENATE** BILL 506

in 1/29/14 wanted today late a.m. or early p.m. IF possible

January 21, 2014 – Introduced by Senator Lazich, cosponsored by Representative Thiesfeldt. Referred to Elections and Urban Affairs.

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AN ACT to amend 6.50 (1), 6.50 (2) and 6.50 (7); and to create 6.50 (2m) of the statutes; relating to: transferring responsibility over biennial updating of voter registration list to the Government Accountability Board.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires the municipal clerk or the board of election commissioners of each municipality (municipal clerk) to examine the voter registration records for that municipality within 90 days of each general election to identify any elector who was qualified to vote over the preceding four years but who has not voted within that four—year period (nonvoting elector). The municipal clerk must mail a "Notice of Suspension of Registration" to each nonvoting elector informing the elector that the elector's registration will be suspended if the elector does not apply for continuation of registration within 30 days. If the nonvoting elector fails to apply for continuation of registration as directed, the municipal clerk must change the elector's registration status from eligible to ineligible.

This bill transfers responsibility for reviewing each municipality's voter registration records and mailing the Notice of Suspension of Registration forms from the municipal clerk to the Government Accountability Board (GAB). The bill authorizes GAB to delegate these responsibilities back to the municipal clerk. The bill also changes the date by which this notification must occur from within 90 days following each general election to no later than June 15 following each general election. Under the bill, the nonvoting elector must return the application for continuation of registration to the elector's municipal clerk.

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the responsibility to change the registration status of electors who have not timely applied for continuation of registration

SENATE BILL 506

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

Section 1. 6.50 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.50 (1) Within 90 days No later than June 15 following each general election, the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners of each municipality shall examine the registration records for each municipality and identify each elector who has not voted within the previous 4 years if qualified to do so during that entire period

and. The board shall mail a notice to the elector in substantially the following form:

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APPLICATION FOR CONTINUATION

OF REGISTRATION

I hereby certify that I still reside at the address at which I am registered and apply for continuation of registration.

19 Signed

Present Address

SENATE BILL 506

1	If you have changed your residence within this municipality or changed your
2	name, please contact this the office of the municipal clerk (mailing address and
3	telephone number of office of municipal clerk or board of election commissioners) to
4	complete a change of name or address form.
5	[Office of clerk or board of election commissioners
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7	Telephone]".
8	SECTION 2. 6.50 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
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11	of the date of mailing, the board of election commissioners shall change the
12	registration status of all notified electors under sub. (1) who have not applied for
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21	6.50 (7) When an elector's registration is changed from eligible to ineligible
22	status, the <u>board</u> , municipal clerk <u>, or board of election commissioners</u> shall make an
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SECTION 5. Initial applicability.

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SENATE BILL 506

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14	(f) The number of notices described under par. (a) that were not returned to the
15	board.
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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1/30/14

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20	SECTION 6. Initial applicability.
21	(1) This act first applies with respect to elections held at least 60 days after the
22	effective date of this subsection.
23	(END)

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