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GOVERNOR
STATE OF WISCONSIN

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TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY:

I have approved Assembly Bill 388 as 2015 Wisconsin Act 118 and have deposited it in the Office of the Secretary of State. I have exercised the partial veto in Section 170, as it relates to s. 15.61 (1) (a) (5) and Section 172, as it relates to s. 15.62 (1) (a) (5).

Assembly Bill 388 reorganizes the Government Accountability Board into the Elections and Ethics Commissions in order to ensure transparency and accountability of the oversight of elections, ethics, lobbying and campaign finance laws for the people of the state of Wisconsin. While I fully support the bill, I am making one minor change.

I have exercised the partial veto in Section 170, as it relates to s. 15.61 (1) (a) (5) and Section 172, as it relates to s. 15.62 (1) (a) (5), in order to ensure that I receive an adequate number of nominations for the commission appointments of county or municipal clerks and former judges. These provisions require that legislative leadership from each party prepare lists of not more than three individuals for the Governor's two nominations of county or municipal clerks for the Elections Commission and of former judges for the Ethics Commission. The partial veto will ensure that I receive three nominations for each appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

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Governor