SENATE AMENDMENT 1,

TO SENATE BILL 941

February 22, 2022 – Offered by Senators CARPENTER, SMITH and RINGHAND.

At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 1, line 5: after “elections” insert “and making an appropriation”.

2. Page 3, line 1: delete the material beginning with that line and ending with page 4, line 17, and substitute:

   “**SECTION 2m.** 5.05 (11m) of the statutes is created to read:

   5.05 (11m) AIDS TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES FOR CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTION COSTS. (a) From the appropriation under s. 20.510 (1) (f), the commission shall reimburse counties and municipalities for costs incurred in the administration of special primaries for state or national offices and special elections for state or national offices.

   (b) A cost is eligible for reimbursement under par. (a) only if all of the following apply:

   1. The commission determines that the cost is reasonable.
2. The cost is specified under par. (c).

3. If applicable, the commission determines that the rate paid by the county or municipality for the cost does not exceed the rate customarily paid for similar costs at a primary or election that is not a special primary or special election.

4. If the special primary or special election coincides with a primary or election that is not a special primary or special election, the commission determines that the cost does not exceed the amount that would be incurred if the primaries or elections did not coincide.

(c) Only the following costs are eligible for reimbursement under par. (a):

1. Rental payments for polling places.

2. Election day wages paid under s. 7.03 to election officials working at the polls.

3. Costs for the publication of required election notices.

4. Printing and postage costs for absentee ballots and envelopes.

5. Costs for the design and printing of ballots and poll books.

6. Purchase costs of ballot bags or containers, including ties or seals for chain-of-custody purposes.

7. Costs to program electronic voting machines.


9. Wages paid to conduct a county canvass.

10. Data entry costs for a statewide voter registration system.”.

3. Page 8, line 19: after that line insert:

“Section 16m. 6.34 (3) (a) 14. of the statutes is created to read:
6.34 (3) (a) 14. A W-2 form for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election.”.

4. Page 8, line 23: after that line insert:

“SECTION 17d. 6.82 (1) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

6.82 (1) (am) Notwithstanding par. (a), each polling place shall provide a location for curbside voting using the procedures under par. (a) for any eligible elector, regardless of whether the eligible elector is unable to enter the polling place.

SECTION 17e. 7.03 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

7.03 (1) (a) Except as authorized under this paragraph, a reasonable daily compensation of not less than $15 an hour shall be paid to each inspector, voting machine custodian, automatic tabulating equipment technician, member of a board of canvassers, messenger, and tabulator who is employed and performing duties under chs. 5 to 12. Daily compensation shall also be provided to inspectors and inspector trainees for attendance at training programs conducted by the commission and municipal clerks under ss. 7.31 and 7.315. Alternatively, such election officials and trainees may be paid by the hour at a proportionate rate for each hour actually worked. Any election official or trainee may choose to volunteer his or her services by filing with the municipal clerk of the municipality in which he or she serves a written declination to accept compensation. The volunteer status of the election official or trainee remains effective until the official or trainee files a written revocation with the municipal clerk.”.

5. Page 9, line 12: after that line insert:

“SECTION 18m. 20.510 (1) (f) of the statutes is created to read:
20.510 (1) (f) *Local aids for special elections.* A sum sufficient to reimburse counties and municipalities for certain special primary or special election costs under s. 5.05 (11m).”.