

Senate

PUBLIC HEARING

Committee on Elections, Election Process Reform and Ethics

The committee will hold a public hearing on the following items at the time specified below:

Monday, February 7, 2022
10:30 AM
411 South

Senate Bill 941

Relating to: overseeing the administration of elections.

By Senators LeMahieu, Darling and Stroebel; cosponsored by Representatives Vos, Armstrong, Behnke, Cabral-Guevara, Dallman, Dittrich, Gundrum, Katsma, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Murphy, Mursau, Penterman, Plumer, Rozar, Sanfelippo, Steffen, Tusler and Wittke.

Senate Bill 934

Relating to: maintenance of the voter registration list, training of municipal clerks, data sharing agreements, pre-election procedures, lines at the polls on election day, and granting rule-making authority.

By Senators Bernier, Cowles, Darling, Stroebel, Felzkowski, Marklein and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Dittrich, Allen, Armstrong, Edming, Gundrum, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Macco, Magnafici, Murphy, Mursau, Penterman, Schraa and Spiros.

Senate Bill 935

Relating to: certain kinds of election fraud, private resources and contracts for election administration, who may perform tasks related to election administration, defects on absentee ballot certificates, returning absentee ballots to the office of the municipal clerk, appointment of election officials, allowing an employee of a residential care facility or qualified retirement home to serve as a personal care voting assistant during a public health emergency or an incident of infectious disease, and providing a penalty.

By Senators Bernier, Cowles, Darling, Stroebel, Felzkowski and Marklein; cosponsored by Representatives Macco, Armstrong, Edming, Gundrum, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Penterman, Schraa and Spiros.

Senate Bill 936

Relating to: the resolution of complaints filed with the Elections Commission, submitting to the legislature copies of complaints filed with the Elections Commission,

reports concerning possible violations of election laws, postelection audits of electronic voting systems, printing absentee ballot applications for recounts, and granting rule-making authority.

By Senators Bernier, Cowles, Darling, Stroebel, Felzkowski, Marklein and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Macco, Armstrong, Edming, Gundrum, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Penterman, Schraa and Spiros.

Senate Bill 937

Relating to: status as an indefinitely confined voter for purposes of receiving absentee ballots automatically and providing a penalty.

By Senators Bernier, Darling, Felzkowski, Marklein and Wanggaard; cosponsored by Representatives Duchow, Allen, Armstrong, Dallman, Edming, Gundrum, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Macco, Magnafici, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Penterman, Pronschinske, Schraa and Spiros.

Senate Bill 938

Relating to: verifying citizenship of individuals on the official voter registration list and contents of operator's licenses and identification cards.

By Senators Darling, Roth, Wimberger, Felzkowski, Nass and Stroebel; cosponsored by Representatives Knodl, Armstrong, Behnke, Brandtjen, Brooks, Cabral-Guevara, Dittrich, Gundrum, Horlacher, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Penterman, Petersen, Pronschinske, Rozar, Sanfelippo, Schraa, Tittl, Wichgers and Neylon.

Senate Bill 939

Relating to: absentee ballot applications, unsolicited mailing or transmission of absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots, secure delivery of absentee ballots, canvassing absentee ballots, voter registration requirements, electronic voter registration, and providing a penalty.

By Senators Stroebel, Darling, Felzkowski and Marklein; cosponsored by Representatives Gundrum, Rozar, Armstrong, Behnke, Brooks, Cabral-Guevara, Dittrich, Knodl, Krug, Magnafici, Penterman, Sanfelippo, Wichgers and Murphy.

Senate Bill 940

Relating to: comparison of voter information on the state's official voter registration list with information maintained by the Department of Transportation.

By Senators Wimberger, Darling, Felzkowski, Marklein and Stroebel; cosponsored by Representatives Rozar, Allen, Armstrong, Behnke, Brooks, Gundrum, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Moses, Penterman and Wichgers.

Senate Bill 942

Relating to: state agency compliance with election laws.

By Senators Stroebel and Darling; cosponsored by Representatives Petersen, Armstrong, Behnke, Brooks, Cabral-Guevara, Gundrum, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Sanfelippo, Wichgers and Murphy.

Senate Bill 943

Relating to: requiring the Elections Commission to send guidance documents to the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules.

By Senators Darling, Nass, Felzkowski and Stroebel; cosponsored by Representatives Spiros, Gundrum, Behnke, Steffen, Armstrong, Sanfelippo, Penterman, Cabral-Guevara, Tittl, Mursau, Rozar, Oldenburg, Knodl, Murphy, Wittke and Neylon.

Senate Joint Resolution 101

Relating to: prohibiting the use of a donation or grant of private resources for purposes of election administration and specifying who may perform tasks related to election administration (first consideration).

By Senators Wimberger, Darling, Feyen, Roth and Testin; cosponsored by Representatives August, Vorpapel, Brooks, Armstrong, Behnke, Dallman, Dittrich, Gundrum, Knodl, Krug, Kuglitsch, Magnafici, Moses, Murphy, Penterman, Petersen, Plumer, Rozar, Sanfelippo, Spiros, Steffen, Tittl, Wichgers and Wittke.

**At the Chair's discretion, time limits may be imposed to allow as many registrants as possible the opportunity to testify.*

***Because Senate Bills 934, 935, and 936 all are directly related to the Legislative Audit Bureau's recommendations, the Committee will consider testimony on all three at once.*

Senator Kathleen Bernier
Chair