



State of Wisconsin  
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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## 2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 21

March 20, 2023 - Introduced by Senators LEMAHIEU and KAPENGA, cosponsored by Representatives AUGUST and VOS. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1     **Relating to:** calling on the governor to call a special election to fill a vacancy in the  
2             Office of Secretary of State.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This joint resolution calls on the governor to call a special election to fill a vacancy in the Office of Secretary of State.

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3             Whereas, Secretary of State Douglas J. La Follette resigned the Office of  
4     Secretary of State on March 17, 2023, thereby creating a vacancy; and

5             Whereas, the Office of Secretary of State is responsible for recording official acts  
6     of the executive branch, affixing the state's great seal to official documents, having  
7     custody of books and records of state government, maintaining and compiling  
8     enrolled laws and resolutions, and preserving and keeping deeds, conveyances,  
9     abstracts of title, and options and leases of land belonging to this state; and

10            Whereas, the voters of Wisconsin expect, deserve, and are entitled to select  
11    their state constitutional officers, including the secretary of state; now, therefore, be  
12    it

