

1971 Assembly Bill 67

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CHAPTER 251, Laws of 1971

AN ACT to create 9.01 (1) (am) of the statutes, relating to recount costs in close elections.

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

9.01 (1) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

9.01 (1) (am) Any candidate voted for at any election or any elector who voted upon any referendum question at any election may request a recount. A verified petition and \$2 for each precinct for which the petition requests a ballot recount shall be filed with the proper clerk not later than 5 p.m. on the 3rd day following the last meeting day of the board of canvassers that determined the election for that office or on that referendum question. If the difference between the votes cast for the leading candidate and those cast for the petitioner or the difference between affirmative and negative votes cast upon any referendum question is less than one-half of one per cent of the total votes cast for the office or on the question, respectively, the petitioner shall not be required to pay the \$2 per precinct fee. The verified petition shall state that at the election he was a candidate for the office in question or that he voted on the referendum question in issue; that he is informed and believes a mistake or fraud has been committed in a specified precinct in the counting and return of the votes cast for the office or upon the question; or shall specify any other defect, irregularity or illegality in the conduct of the election.
