Resolved, That the governor and the attorney general are authorized and directed to co-operate with this committee and to take such steps as may be proper and necessary in connection with the foregoing matter.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Memorializing congress to provide for earlier seating of senators and representatives elect.

Whereas, Under the rules of congress of the United States now in force and effect, members of congress are elected by popular election in November, but are unable to take their seats in congress until the year following their election; and

Whereas, Such procedure is antiquated and no longer suited to the times when means of travel and communication have been improved to their present state of efficiency; and

Whereas, Under such procedure it is impossible for the people to register and vote a timely and effective expression of opinion and choice; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the legislature of the state of Wisconsin earnestly requests and petitions the congress of the United States to enact such rules and laws as may be necessary for members of congress to take their seats therein at a time not later than the first day of January next following the election at which they are chosen; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution duly attested by the presiding officers and chief clerks of the senate and assembly be forwarded to the presiding officers of both houses of congress and to the Wisconsin senators and representatives therein.