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AN ACT to amend 40.26 (1) (intro. par.), (2), (3) (intro. par.) and (6) of the statutes, relating to time when new positions on school boards take effect.

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

40.26 (1) (intro. par.), (2), (3) (intro. par.) and (6) of the statutes are amended to read:

40.26 (1) (intro. par.) Any school district * * * may have a school board * * * comprised as follows:

(2) When a petition * * * signed by 100 electors to change the number of school board members * * * is filed with the district clerk at least 30 days prior to the day when the district officers are elected in a common school district or union high school district he shall incorporate into his notice of the annual or special district meeting or referendum as provided in s. 40.21 a statement that at such meeting or referendum the question of changing the number of school board members as requested in the petition will be voted upon. * * * If a majority vote in favor of the resolution, it is adopted. If such question is to be determined at a meeting at which an officer or member is to be elected * * * it shall be determined before the election. When a special meeting of the school district or referendum adopts a resolution to increase the number of board members of the district pursuant to this subsection, such new members shall be elected at the next election of school board members and their terms shall go into effect on the second Monday of July following.

(3) (intro. par.) If a school district votes to increase the number of school board members the school district clerk *or city clerk* shall before the *next* election of the school board members put into effect a plan, providing:

(6) Whenever any school district * * * with more than 3 school board members votes to reduce the number of members on the school board, one less school board member shall be elected annually thereafter until the total number of school board members is reduced to the approved number, but not less than one shall be elected each year.

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