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AN ACT to amend 13.02 (1) and 17.20 (2) of the statutes, relating to organizing a newly elected legislature.

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

SECTION 1. 13.02 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

13.02 (1) The legislature shall convene in the capitol on the first Monday of January in each odd-numbered year, at 2 p.m., to take the oath of office, select officers, and do all other things necessary to organize itself for the conduct of its business, but if the first Monday of January falls on January 1 or 2, the actions here required shall be taken on January 3.

SECTION 2. 17.20 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

17.20 (2) Interim vacancies; terms. Vacancies occurring during the recess of the legislature in the office of any officer appointed normally nominated by the governor by, and with the advice and consent of the senate appointed, shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the residue of the unexpired term, subject to confirmation by the senate at the next regular session thereof if the term for which the person was so appointed has not expired. Any such appointment subject to confirmation by the senate shall be in full force until acted upon by the senate, and

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when confirmed by the senate shall continue for the residue of the unexpired term. Any appointment made under this subsection on the days specified in s. 13.02 (1) for organization of a new legislature shall be invalid, but may be renewed after the executive office has been officially notified by a joint resolution that the new legislature has been organized.