



**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 6,
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 54**

November 14, 2013 – Offered by Representatives BARNES, PASCH, JOHNSON, RIEMER, GENRICH, HESSELBEIN, DOYLE, KAHL, SHANKLAND, WACHS, BERCEAU, RINGHAND, SMITH, POPE, KESSLER, OHNSTAD, BERNARD SCHABER, GOYKE, SARGENT, BILLINGS and KOLSTE.

- 1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:
- 2 **1.** Page 1, line 2: after “person” insert “and alternate sites for absentee voting
- 3 in person”.
- 4 **2.** Page 1, line 3: before that line insert:
- 5 “**SECTION 1d.** 6.855 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 6 **6.855** (title) **Alternate absentee ballot site sites.**
- 7 **SECTION 1e.** 6.855 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 8 6.855 (1) The governing body of a municipality may elect to designate ~~a site~~
- 9 one or more sites other than the office of the municipal clerk or board of election
- 10 commissioners as ~~the a~~ location from which electors of the municipality may request
- 11 and vote absentee ballots and to which voted absentee ballots shall may be returned
- 12 by electors for any election. ~~The designated site shall be located as near as~~
- 13 ~~practicable to the office of the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners and~~

1 ~~no~~ No alternate site may be designated that affords an advantage to any political
2 party. An election by a governing body to designate an alternate site under this
3 section shall be made no fewer than 14 days prior to the time that absentee ballots
4 are available for the primary under s. 7.15 (1) (cm), if a primary is scheduled to be
5 held, or ~~at least~~ no fewer than 14 days prior to the time that absentee ballots are
6 available for the election under s. 7.15 (1) (cm), if a primary is not scheduled to be
7 held, and shall remain in effect until at least the day after the election. ~~If the~~
8 ~~governing body of a municipality makes an election under this section, no function~~
9 ~~related to voting and return of absentee ballots that is to be conducted at the~~
10 ~~alternate site may be conducted in the office of the municipal clerk or board of~~
11 ~~election commissioners~~ An alternate site may be used for absentee voting in addition
12 to or in lieu of use of the office of the municipal clerk or board of election
13 commissioners. No later than the latest time specified in this subsection for
14 designation of an alternate site for absentee voting at an election, a municipality
15 designating an alternate site shall provide written notice to the board of the
16 designation of the site, the address of the site, and the election at which it will be in
17 operation.

18 **SECTION 1f.** 6.855 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 6.855 (2) The municipal clerk or board of election commissioners shall
20 prominently display a notice of the designation of the each alternate site selected
21 under sub. (1) in the office of the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners
22 beginning on the date that the site is designated under sub. (1) and continuing
23 through the period that absentee ballots are available for the election and for any
24 primary under s. 7.15 (1) (cm). The notice shall specify the days and hours of
25 operation of each alternate site and the days and hours of operation of the office of

1 the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners. If the municipal clerk or
2 board of election commissioners maintains a Web site on the Internet, the clerk or
3 board of election commissioners shall post a notice of the designation of the each
4 alternate site selected under sub. (1) on the Web site during the same period that
5 notice is displayed in the office of the clerk or board of election commissioners.

6 **SECTION 1g.** 6.86 (1) (ad) of the statutes is created to read:

7 6.86 (1) (ad) The board shall prescribe the form of applications for absentee
8 ballots by electors who vote in person at the office of the municipal clerk or an
9 alternate site designated under s. 6.855.”.

10 **3.** Page 1, line 3: delete “**SECTION 1**” and substitute “**SECTION 1m**”.

11 **4.** Page 2, line 25: after that line insert:

12 “**SECTION 1p.** 7.15 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 7.15 (2m) OPERATION OF ALTERNATE ABSENTEE BALLOT SITE. In a municipality in
14 which the governing body has elected to establish ~~an~~ one or more alternate absentee
15 ballot ~~site~~ sites under s. 6.855, the municipal clerk shall operate such site as though
16 it were his or her office for absentee ballot purposes and shall ensure that such site
17 is adequately staffed.

18 **SECTION 1r.** 10.01 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 10.01 (2) (e) Type E — The type E notice shall state the qualifications for
20 absentee voting, the procedures for obtaining an absentee ballot in the case of
21 registered and unregistered voters, the places ~~and the deadlines for application and~~
22 ~~return of application~~ where electors may cast absentee ballots in person, including
23 any alternate site or sites designated under s. 6.855, the deadlines for making
24 application for and return of absentee ballots, and the office hours during which an

1 elector may cast an absentee ballot in the municipal clerk's office or at an each
2 alternate site under s. 6.855. The municipal clerk shall publish a type E notice on
3 the 4th Tuesday preceding each spring primary and election, on the 4th Tuesday
4 preceding each partisan primary and general election, on the 4th Tuesday preceding
5 the primary for each special national, state, county or municipal election if any, on
6 the 4th Tuesday preceding a special county or municipal referendum, and on the 3rd
7 Tuesday preceding each special national, state, county or municipal election to fill
8 an office which is not held concurrently with the spring or general election. The clerk
9 of each special purpose district which calls a special election shall publish a type E
10 notice on the 4th Tuesday preceding the primary for the special election, if any, on
11 the 4th Tuesday preceding a special referendum, and on the 3rd Tuesday preceding
12 a special election for an office which is not held concurrently with the spring or
13 general election except as authorized in s. 8.55 (3).

14 **SECTION 1t.** 12.03 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 12.03 (1) No election official may engage in electioneering on election day. No
16 municipal clerk or employee of the clerk may engage in electioneering in the clerk's
17 office or at ~~the~~ an alternate site under s. 6.855 during the hours that ballots may be
18 cast at those locations.”.

19 (END)