



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2001 Assembly Bill 39**

**Assembly Substitute  
Amendment 1**

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*Current law* requires every municipality with a population of greater than 5,000 to maintain a voter registration list.

*Assembly Bill 39* directs the Elections Board to prepare recommendations with regard to requiring voter registration in every municipality and maintaining a statewide voter registration list. The board's recommendations must be submitted to the Legislature for distribution to the appropriate standing committees of both houses by April 16, 2001.

*Assembly Substitute Amendment 1* provides that the Elections Board must submit as a part of its budget request for the 2003-05 fiscal biennium, a proposal to create a statewide, centralized voter registration and poll list system. The proposed system must be computerized, must require voter registration in every municipality in the state, must be maintained by the Elections Board, and must allow for the real time entering and checking of voter registration and polling information by election officials, so as to facilitate the elimination of multiple voting by the same elector at the same election. The substitute amendment requires the proposed system to be designed to be operational as of the 2004 Spring Election.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was adopted by the Assembly on a voice vote on November 6, 2001. The bill, as amended, was passed by the Assembly on the same date on a vote of Ayes, 97, Noes, 1.

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