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State of Misconsin 2007 - 2008 LEGISLATURE

2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 589

November 27, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives TAUCHEN, GOTTLIEB, VOS, LEMAHIEU and MUSSER. Referred to Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law.

1 AN ACT to amend 8.25 (1) of the statutes; relating to: the method of selecting

presidential electors.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the political parties and the independent and write-in candidates for president and vice president nominate one presidential elector from each congressional district and two electors from the state at large. At the election for president and vice president, a vote for a slate of candidates for president and vice president is a vote for that candidate's presidential electors. Currently, all presidential electors are elected on a statewide basis.

Under this bill, each slate of candidates for president and vice president that wins a congressional district receives one presidential elector and the slate of candidates that wins the state at large receives two additional presidential electors.

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

3	SECTION 1. 8.25 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
4	8.25 (1) PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS. By general ballot at the general election for
5	choosing the president and vice president of the United States there shall be elected
6	as many presidential electors of president and vice president as this state is entitled

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6	(END)
5	electors of the nominees.
4	any party <u>any slate of nominees for president and vice president</u> is a vote for the
3	from the state at large. A vote for the president and vice president nominations of
2	elected from each congressional district and 2 presidential electors shall be elected
1	to elect senators and representatives in congress. <u>One presidential elector shall be</u>