

POSITION STATEMENT ON ELECTION REFORM

VOTING:

- a. Require state-issued photo ID, just like Indiana Public Law 109-2005 or Georgia equivalent because it has been upheld by the US Supreme Court.
- b. Eliminate corroborating witness who can vouch for a person who does not show proper verification of their current address.
- c. Eliminate perpetually mailed absentee ballots. Persons overseas for extended periods, in the military, or in a full-time healthcare facility may re-apply annually. All other persons must reapply for each election.
- d. If absentee ballot is rejected by the machine, it is to be destroyed. This will eliminate the contest over the intent of the voter.
- e. Require a reason for absentee voting, such as travel or disability.
- f. Wisconsin must develop provisional voting which is as secure as normal ballot security.
- g. Institute motor voter (only option to same-day registration per the National Voter Registration ACT of 1993). However, the Wisconsin DOT must institute strict enforcement of US citizenship.

REGISTRATION:

- a. Eliminate same-day/election-day registration.
- b. End registration 30-days before each election in order to allow time checks by municipal clerks.
- c. Require state-issued photo ID for registration.
- d. Require the GAB to automatically purge names from their voter roles if there is no response within 30 days after a second ping letter is sent by the GAB.
- e. Eliminate Special Registration Deputies (SRDs) unless they trained and certified by a municipal clerk and paid by no outside group.
- f. Change the residency requirement from 10 days to 30.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD:

- a. A court order must be obtained by the GAB before it can stop political activity.
- b. Any rules recommended by the GAB must be voted on and approved by the legislature, and signed by the Governor before they take effect; just like any other law. Currently, the GAB can create a new rule (with the force of law) which goes into effect in 30 days unless the legislature acts on it.
- c. The State Supreme Court committee shall nominate GAB candidates. In proportion to the votes for governor during the most recent election, the political parties may choose the board members and approve the executive director; not the governor. Only the legislature can remove a board member for misconduct.
- d. The Senate and Assembly Elections Committees shall be responsible for direct oversight of the GAB.

TIMEFRAME:

To my legislators: I strongly urge implementation of election reform in time for the April 5th election of 2011.

Name _____ (group, optional) _____

Street Address _____ Municipality _____