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## 2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 79

March 5, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives THIESFELDT, BERNIER, BERCEAU, ZAMARRIPA, KLEEFISCH, DOYLE, E. BROOKS, KAHL, SKOWRONSKI, WEATHERSTON, RIPP, EDMING, BALLWEG, BORN, OHNSTAD, SPREITZER, TITTL and STEFFEN, cosponsored by Senators Gudex and Marklein. Referred to Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

\*\*\*AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

1 AN ACT *to amend* 6.55 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing municipal clerks

### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, election inspectors may register electors to vote at a polling place on election day. In addition, a municipality may provide, by adopting a resolution, that an inspector's registration duties may be performed by special registration deputies appointed by the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners.

Under this bill, an inspector's registration duties may be performed by the municipal clerk, if the clerk is not a candidate listed on the ballot, or by special registration deputies appointed by the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners, without the municipality first adopting a resolution to allow the procedure.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 6.55 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:
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- 6.55 (6) The governing body or board of election commissioners of any
- 5 municipality may provide by resolution that any <u>Any</u> of the registration duties of

<sup>2</sup> to register voters on election day.

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inspectors under sub. (2) shall may be carried out in the municipality by the 1  $\mathbf{2}$ municipal clerk or by special registration deputies appointed by the municipal clerk 3 or board of election commissioners at any polling place or other registration location whenever the clerk or board of election commissioners determines that the 4 registration process provided for in that subsection will be facilitated thereby. The  $\mathbf{5}$ 6 municipal clerk, however, may not carry out the registration duties of the inspectors 7 under sub. (2) if the municipal clerk is a candidate on the ballot for that election day. 8 The deputies shall be specially appointed by the clerk or board of election 9 commissioners for one election only to conduct elector registration only.

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