

State of Misconsin 2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

## **2021 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 28**

February 15, 2022 - Introduced by Representatives HINTZ, SPREITZER, SUBECK, EMERSON, SHELTON, ANDERSON, OHNSTAD, HAYWOOD, RIEMER, DOYLE, BROSTOFF,
S. RODRIGUEZ, GOYKE, HONG, SNODGRASS, BILLINGS, ANDRACA, POPE, HESSELBEIN, CONSIDINE, CONLEY, ORTIZ-VELEZ, L. MYERS, VINING, NEUBAUER, B. MEYERS, SINICKI, SHANKLAND, CABRERA, HEBL and BALDEH. Referred to Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

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

1	Relating to: withdrawing authorization of Wisconsin State Assembly partisan
2	election review efforts.
3	Whereas, the legitimacy of the American form of government depends on
4	citizens' widespread confidence in the fairness of elections and acceptance of election
5	results; and
6	Whereas, audits, recounts, official canvasses, and courts have all resoundingly
7	confirmed the results of our free and fair elections in Wisconsin; and
8	Whereas, the nonpartisan Legislative Audit Bureau conducted a review of
9	election administration in 2020 and confirmed that Wisconsin's elections were fair,
10	secure, and accurate; and
11	Whereas, the vast majority of Wisconsinites have expressed confidence in
12	Wisconsin's 2020 election; and
13	Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans have undermined public confidence in
14	Wisconsin's elections by fueling uncertainty about which presidential candidate won
15	the 2020 election in Wisconsin; and

1 Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans have tried to certify false presidential 2 electors; and

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Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans have participated in lawsuits to overturn the
results of the 2020 presidential election; and

5 Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans asked then-Vice President Pence to refuse to
6 certify the 2020 presidential election results; and

Whereas, Assembly Republicans hand picked someone who claimed the 2020
election was stolen and who admits he does not have "a comprehensive
understanding or even any understanding of how elections work" to lead the
Assembly Republicans' own partisan election review effort; and

11 Whereas, Assembly Republicans' investigation into Wisconsin's 2020 election 12 pursuant to 2021 Assembly Resolution 15 has been described by experts as 13 "harmful," "amateurish," "uncoordinated," "irresponsible," and "partisan"; and

Whereas, some Assembly Republicans have called for the state legislature to
illegally decertify Wisconsin's presidential election thereby throwing out the votes
of more than three million Wisconsinites; and

Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans approved the wasteful spending of \$676,000
of taxpayer money for a partisan election review without a scope statement to guide
its work; and

20 Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans have supported felony charges for Wisconsin 21 Elections Commission board members, including the Republicans, who only ensured 22 that certain older voters could exercise their constitutional right to vote in the 2020 23 elections during the worldwide pandemic; and

1	Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans have advocated to remove the nonpartisan
2	Wisconsin Elections Commission and instead have politicians in the legislature
3	administer elections; and
4	Whereas, Wisconsin Republicans have taken repeated actions since the 2020
5	presidential election that undermine public confidence in our elections and actively
6	harm our democracy; now, therefore, be it
7	<b>Resolved by the assembly, That</b> the Wisconsin Assembly hereby withdraws
8	its approval of 2021 Assembly Resolution 15; and, be it further
9	Resolved, That the Wisconsin Assembly hereby eliminates the Office of
10	Special Counsel; and, be it further
11	Resolved, That the Wisconsin Assembly terminates the employment of
12	Michael Gableman and all other individuals and organizations employed by and
13	contracted with the Office of Special Counsel and the Assembly Committee on
14	Campaigns and Elections; and, be it further
15	Resolved, That the Wisconsin Assembly affirms the results of the 2020
16	presidential election in Wisconsin and denounces efforts to throw out the votes of
17	Wisconsin citizens; and, be it further
18	<b>Resolved, That</b> the Wisconsin Assembly condemns all efforts and all persons
19	attempting to charge members of the Wisconsin Elections Commission with criminal
20	conduct for any actions the Wisconsin Elections Commission took in any prior
21	election.
22	(END)