



State of Wisconsin  
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## 2021 SENATE BILL 268

March 31, 2021 - Introduced by Senators BERNIER, BALLWEG, MARKLEIN, NASS and STROEBEL, cosponsored by Representatives HORLACHER, CALLAHAN, EDMING, KUGLITSCH, MOSES, MURSAU, RAMTHUN, ROZAR, SKOWRONSKI and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Elections, Election Process Reform and Ethics.

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

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 7.03 (1) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** compensation of  
2     election officials performing duties during a recount.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, election workers performing duties at an election are paid a reasonable daily wage for their work. This bill provides that election workers performing duties during a recount may not be paid a different daily wage than that paid for similar work performed at the election.

For further information see the local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3     **SECTION 1.** 7.03 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

4     7.03 (1) (a) Except as authorized under this paragraph, a reasonable daily  
5     compensation shall be paid to each inspector, voting machine custodian, automatic  
6     tabulating equipment technician, member of a board of canvassers, messenger, and  
7     tabulator who is employed and performing duties under chs. 5 to 12. Daily

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1 compensation shall also be provided to inspectors and inspector trainees for  
2 attendance at training programs conducted by the commission and municipal clerks  
3 under ss. 7.31 and 7.315. Alternatively, such election officials and trainees may be  
4 paid by the hour at a proportionate rate for each hour actually worked.  
5 Compensation paid to election officials performing duties during a recount under s.  
6 9.01 may not differ from that paid for similar work at the election. Any election  
7 official or trainee may choose to volunteer his or her services by filing with the  
8 municipal clerk of the municipality in which he or she serves a written declination  
9 to accept compensation. The volunteer status of the election official or trainee  
10 remains effective until the official or trainee files a written revocation with the  
11 municipal clerk.

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