

**Feedback – SB26 Hearing
March 16th 2023**

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Introduction: Purpose and Jon Dolson statement

The purpose of this is to answer some of the questions that came up on March 16th, 2023 to Chairman Stroebel and the Wisconsin Senate-Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection. As pertains to SB-26: Relating to removing ineligible voters from the official voter registration list.

Question from Jon Dolson, a Sheboygan Co Clerk: *"Is there a concern that every name in the current database is being listed in the poll book, used in the elections?"*

Answer: No, the concern is the data integrity in the publicly available voter registration data (WisVote) of 7+ million people which grows by ~600 per day. As of the date of the hearing, there were ~7.4 million people with ~4 million who were not eligible to vote. Also, the poll book is a subset of the full voter list that should only show those voters who can obtain a ballot based on a valid/legal Active status.

Further, Jon states *"Switching a voter from Active to Inactive already accomplishes this."* This is defined as a clerk or some other actor/system flipping the status with no mention in the voter roll. The examples presented herein will demonstrate how "private" status changes hidden from the public created a huge lack of transparency.

Racine County Mary Ellis

On the same day
at some Polling
Place, Mary was
assigned 14
different Voter
Registration
Numbers (VRN)

Is it possible all of
these VRNs were
used to obtain
ballots and cast
votes?

Nobody knows.

VRN	Name	Address	City Zip	Status
701679734	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679730	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679728	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679725	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679724	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679721	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679718	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679716	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679714	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679710	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679704	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679697	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679694	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive
701679683	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Active
701679678	Mary Ellis	1916 WISCONSIN AVE APT 159	RACINE WI 53403	Inactive

Brown Co - 100 Grant St. Norbert College Parish: Undeliverables

100 Grant St is the address of the St. Norbert College Parish Office in Brown Co with 2,373 active and inactive people on the voter roll.

There are 858 people at this address WITHOUT a unit number meaning all are undeliverable.

USPS requires a number associated with the address of multi unit buildings such as res halls, assisted living facilities, trailer parks and apartments.

↓ This is for one address at 100 Grant St

9 are active with no #
 5 active with 0 as the number
 972 with a number
 310 APT and number
 1 BLDG and number
 46 RM and number
17 SIDE and number
138 Suites and number
 31 Units and number

VRN	Name	Address	City Zip	Status
701384022	Donald Jones	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Active
701831995	Dylan Schuster	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Active
701385450	Madison Lucas	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
700943569	Angela Gelhar	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Active
700672237	Kelly Johnson	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Active
0000592884	Tyler Janisch	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0046909795	Wendy Morrison	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084182	Brandon Nagel	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084183	Daniel Ryan	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084184	Trevaniel Temple	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084601	Lisa Lee	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084602	Erin Gibbons	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084603	Renee Anderson	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084605	Michael Demchuk	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084609	Benjamin Lanser	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084611	Dorothy Coulson	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084612	Erin Feldhausen	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084613	Justin Haworth	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive
0051084614	Kelly Ryan	100 GRANT ST	DE PERE WI 54115	Inactive

examples →

- 100 GRANT ST SIDE 478
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- 100 GRANT ST SIDE 66
- 100 GRANT ST SIDE 86
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 07
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 1016
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 1021
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 1039
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 1046
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 1069
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 11
- 100 GRANT ST SUITE 1112

In total 2,373 people with numerous types of dwelling designations many that are invalid. Because Inactives can easily become Active, these undeliverable addresses should be "REMOVED" from the voter roll and archived in a data table designated for historical purposes.

Brown Co – Green Bay Health Services: Undeliverables

1640 Shawano Ave in Green Bay Wisconsin in Brown Co. is the Green Bay Health Services Nursing Home.

This is Sophia's full address

Miller	Sophia	Michelle		1743	GREEN BAY WI 54305	
Forrest	Kathryn	Lynn	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Poplin	Anna	Lyn	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Swanke	Sandra	K	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Watson	Sharron	Ann	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Gwidt	William	Conrad	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Kane	Janet	M	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Hager	Alan	Sylvester	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Philippi	Diana	Lynn	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Shafel	Margaret	Ann	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE
Kaczrouske	Gary	A	1640 SHAWANO AVE		GREEN BAY WI 54303	SHAWANO AVE

There are 10 people with an undeliverable address meaning there is no apartment number with 2 people active and voting.

40 residents do have apartment numbers along with 62 in the same apartment 117.

0019464207	Ione Peters	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0051064736	Julayne Parker	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0051092676	Joan Smits	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0700990520	Myron Boncher	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0700991910	Robert Rost	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0701343210	Laverne Russell	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0702804910	Beverly Gutzman	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0704000720	Kenneth Chivell	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0705389800	Alvina Gordon	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706344120	Rebecca Wilber	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706711750	Carl Boston	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706967200	Euarda Vannes	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706967500	William Cody	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706967580	Kenneth Eick	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706967690	Jeanette Fitzgerald	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706968430	Marjorie St Louis	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706968500	Olga Fasanella	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706968600	James Brault	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0706968760	Karen Pennler	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0710787810	Lillian Franklin	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0714226990	Harry Hemlock	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
0714227050	Sylvia Lindsley	1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117	GREEN BAY WI 54303

When you have the main address of a multi unit building whether it's a nursing home, apartment building, university residence hall, if you leave off or don't have a box number the VRN can still be used to obtain ballots and cast votes.

117	GREEN BAY WI 54303
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212 Iroquois Ave Green Bay/Brown Co - McCormick Assisted Living

701748523	Fern Rafter	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Active	Registered
701098272	Evangelyn Macsurak	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Active	Registered
700898910	Mary Hayes	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
701838485	Mary Janssen	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Active	Registered
700230904	Marilyn Gerczak	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Moved
700499871	Joanne Williams	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Active	Registered
0000341035	Catherine Benkert	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0019627039	William Kress	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Active	Registered
0019657911	Pearl Moudry	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0019758026	Rose Borowski	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051005698	Quintin Biemeret	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051005062	Mary Albers	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051005445	Cecelia Bates	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051005098	Francis Allen	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051005115	Norbert Ama	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051005504	K Bechle	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Admin Action
0051006179	Amanda Burmesch	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051007182	Rose Drzewiecki	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Inactive	Deceased
0051006880	John Dewane	212 IROQUOIS AVE	GREEN BAY WI 54301	Active	Registered

There are 137 people with no unit number which means they are likely undeliverable yet 11 are Active and voting. 16 people do have an apartment number with the majority of residents voting frequently.

VOTERS | ADDY (BROWN CNTY)

- 858 | 100 GRANT ST
- 155 | 1400 N BAIRD ST
- 137 | 212 IROQUOIS AVE
- 102 | 2420 NICOLET DR
- 91 | 430 GRANT ST
- 90 | 1229 S JACKSON ST UNIT D Wing 7
- 85 | 1660 HOFFMAN RD
- 83 | 289 E SAINT JOSEPH ST
- 81 | 250 S 9TH ST
- 73 | 1016 N BROADWAY
- 72 | 301 MATHER ST
- 66 | 2420 NICOLET DR COMMY
- 62 | 1640 SHAWANO AVE APT 117

Here's a ranked list of addresses showing total voters at each.

212 Iroquois Ave came in 3rd place in Brown County.

Rock Co - Lisa Tollefson Rock Co Clerk & Andrew Williams

In Rock County on April 6th 2021 at the Polling Place 27 people were given multiple **Voter Registration Numbers**. One person received two numbers, another person received four, two people were issued five VRN's and 22 people were given 6 different VRNs and one person received seven VRN's. All Inactive but with a mouse-click, they can become Active.

Also on that day 185 people at a Polling Place became Active either registered or Movers, a classification WEC has designated as one of 15 Voter Status Reasons a clerk can change.

LISA Tollefson, a Rock County Clerk said ***"Unless the goal of the bill is to hide the history of those ineligible voters from the clerks. By hiding the history of ineligible voters from the clerks, our election system becomes more vulnerable."***

Lisa: How would you explain data below?

Why so many sequential VRNs for the same dwelling/voters? This would seem to be in error. Why keep obvious errors in the official voter roll?

▼ **Multiple VRNs at the same address for the same two voters**

701680721	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680723	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680724	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680726	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680727	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680728	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680729	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680730	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680731	Williams	Andrew	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680732	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680733	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680734	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680735	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511
701680736	Williams	Courtney	1764 GATEWAY BLVD APT 534	BELOIT WI 53511

Rock Co - Terri & Robert, Anne: Multiple Registration Numbers

Terri with her last name spelled two different ways at the same address was given two Inactive Merged VRNs on the same day, 8/23/2020. Two weeks later she became Active and Registered with a different VRN.

A few weeks later, Robert, at the same address with no change in the last name spelling on the same day 9/29/2020 was given additional VRNs.

#	VRN	Name	Address	City Zip	Status	Reason	IPA	Reg Date
1	701221859	Teri Mac Kenzie	3414 N CRYSTAL SPRINGS RD	JANESVILLE WI 53545	Active	Registered		09/06/2020
2	701364317	Robert Mac Kenzie	3414 N CRYSTAL SPRINGS RD	JANESVILLE WI 53545	Active	Registered		09/29/2020
3	701364319	Robert Mac Kenzie	3414 N CRYSTAL SPRINGS RD	JANESVILLE WI 53545	Inactive	Admin Action		09/29/2020
4	701364331	Robert Mac Kenzie	3414 N CRYSTAL SPRINGS RD	JANESVILLE WI 53545	Inactive	Admin Action		09/29/2020
5	700005935	TERI MAC KENZIE	3414 N CRYSTAL SPRINGS RD	JANESVILLE WI 53545	Inactive	*MERGED*		08/23/2020

Anne was issued five VRNs all on voting day April 6th 2021, all done at a polling place. This clearly is an error. Why are obvious errors not deleted?

How many times were Anne's VRNs used to cast votes?

Nobody knows.

701680653	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511
701680654	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511
701680655	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511
701680656	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511
701680657	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511
701680658	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511
701680659	Anne Bauman	2499 N BOOTMAKER DR	BELOIT WI 53511



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2023 SENATE BILL 26

January 27, 2023 - Introduced by Senators JACQUE, CABRAL-GUEVARA, FELZKOWSKI, FEYEN, MARKLEIN, NASS, QUINN, STAFSHOLT and TOMCZYK, cosponsored by Representatives BODDEN, ARMSTRONG, BEHNKE, BINSFELD, BRANDTJEN, BROOKS, DONOVAN, EDMING, GUNDRUM, GUSTAFSON, KITCHENS, MURPHY, MURSAU, PENTERMAN, PLUMER, RETTINGER, SCHRAA, SCHUTT, TITTL, TUSLER and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 6.275 (1) (f), 6.32 (4), 6.33 (4), 6.33 (5) (a) 1., 6.36 (1) (d), 6.36
2 (1) (e), 6.47 (6), 6.47 (7) (b), 6.48 (1) (d), 6.48 (2) (b), 6.50 (2), 6.50 (2g), 6.50 (2r)
3 (g), 6.50 (3), 6.50 (4), 6.50 (5), 6.50 (6), 6.50 (7), 6.50 (10), 6.56 (3), 6.56 (4) and
4 7.23 (1) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** removing ineligible voters from the
5 official voter registration list.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a voter who appears on the official voter registration list maintained by the Elections Commission becomes ineligible to vote for any reason, his or her status is changed from eligible to ineligible on the registration list.

Under this bill, if a voter appearing on the registration list becomes ineligible to vote for any reason, he or she must be removed from the list and the Elections Commission must keep a permanent record of the removal, including the date of and reason for the removal. Consistent with current law, an individual who is removed from the registration list and subsequently becomes eligible to register to vote in Wisconsin may reregister as provided by law.

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

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

SENATE BILL 26**SECTION 1**

1 **SECTION 1.** 6.275 (1) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 6.275 (1) (f) The total number of postcards sent by the municipal clerk or board
3 of election commissioners under s. 6.56 (3), the total number of such postcards
4 returned to the municipal clerk or board of election commissioners because the
5 elector did not reside at the address given on the postcard, the total number of
6 electors ~~whose status was changed from eligible to ineligible on~~ removed from the
7 registration list as a result of the audit under s. 6.56 (3), and the number of
8 individuals referred to the district attorney under s. 6.56 (3). The municipal clerk
9 or board of election commissioners shall provide the information described under
10 this paragraph to the elections commission and the county clerk or county board of
11 election commissioners at the earliest practicable time after, but no later than 90
12 days after, each primary and election at which a state or national office is filled or
13 a statewide referendum is held, including any special election. The municipal clerk
14 or board of election commissioners shall update the information described under this
15 paragraph on a monthly basis and shall submit, on a monthly basis, any such
16 updated information to the elections commission and the county clerk or county
17 board of election commissioners.

18 **SECTION 2.** 6.32 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 6.32 (4) If the form is sufficient to accomplish registration and the commission
20 or clerk has no reliable information to indicate that the proposed elector is not
21 qualified, the commission or clerk shall enter the elector's name on the registration
22 list and transmit a 1st class letter or postcard to the registrant, specifying the
23 elector's ward or aldermanic district, or both, if any, and polling place. The letter or
24 postcard shall be sent within 10 days of receipt of the form. If the letter or postcard
25 is returned, or if the commission or clerk is informed of a different address than the

SENATE BILL 26**SECTION 2**

1 one specified by the elector, the commission or clerk shall ~~change the status of~~ remove
2 the elector ~~on~~ from the list ~~from eligible to ineligible~~. The letter or postcard shall be
3 marked in accordance with postal regulations to ensure that it will be returned to the
4 commission or clerk if the elector does not reside at the address given on the letter
5 or postcard.

6 **SECTION 3.** 6.33 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 6.33 (4) When an individual's registration is changed from eligible to ineligible
8 status individual is removed from the registration list for any reason, the municipal
9 clerk or board of election commissioners shall ~~enter~~ notify the commission, providing
10 the date of and reason for ~~change on~~ removal from the registration list. The
11 commission shall keep a permanent record of the removal, including the date of and
12 reason for the removal.

13 **SECTION 4.** 6.33 (5) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

14 6.33 (5) (a) 1. Except as provided in par. (b) and this paragraph, whenever a
15 municipal clerk receives a valid registration or valid change of a name or address
16 under an existing registration ~~or changes a registration from eligible to ineligible~~
17 ~~status~~ the municipal clerk or the clerk's designee shall promptly enter electronically
18 on the list maintained by the commission under s. 6.36 (1) the information required
19 under that subsection.

20 **SECTION 5.** 6.36 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 6.36 (1) (d) Upon receipt of official notification by the appropriate election
22 administrative authority of another state, territory, or possession that an elector
23 whose name appears on the list has registered to vote in that state, territory, or
24 possession, the commission or the municipal clerk of the municipality where the

SENATE BILL 26**SECTION 5**

1 elector formerly resided shall ~~change the elector's registration from eligible to~~
2 ~~ineligible status~~ remove the elector's name from the registration list.

3 **SECTION 6.** 6.36 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.36 (1) (e) If the commission adds the name of any elector to the list, the
5 commission shall promptly notify the municipal clerk of the municipality where the
6 elector resides. If the commission ~~changes the registration of any elector from~~
7 ~~eligible to ineligible status~~ removes an elector from the list, the commission shall
8 promptly notify the municipal clerk of the municipality where the elector resides or,
9 if the elector has changed his or her residence from one municipality to another
10 municipality in this state, shall promptly notify the municipal clerk of the
11 municipality where the elector resided prior to the ~~change~~ removal. Notification
12 shall be made in writing or by electronic transmission. If the commission ~~changes~~
13 ~~the registration of any elector from eligible to ineligible status~~ removes an elector
14 from the list for any reason, the commission shall ~~make an entry on the list~~ keep a
15 permanent record giving the date of and the reason for the ~~change~~ the removal.

16 **SECTION 7.** 6.47 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.47 (6) Upon expiration of a confidential listing on a registration list under
18 sub. (2), the municipal clerk shall ~~change the registration of~~ remove the protected
19 individual ~~to ineligible status~~ from the registration list unless the individual files a
20 new request and qualifies under sub. (2) to obtain a renewal of the listing or unless
21 the individual applies for and qualifies to obtain a nonconfidential voter registration.
22 Except as authorized in sub. (8), the municipal clerk shall withhold from public
23 inspection under s. 19.35 (1) the name and address of any individual whose
24 registration is ~~changed~~ removed under this subsection if the individual qualified for
25 a confidential listing at the time of that listing.

SENATE BILL 26**SECTION 8**

1 **SECTION 8.** 6.47 (7) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 6.47 (7) (b) If notice to a protected individual is not provided under par. (a), the
3 municipal clerk shall provide notice to the subject individual upon ~~changing a listed~~
4 ~~individual to ineligible status~~ removing a listed individual from the registration list
5 under sub. (6).

6 **SECTION 9.** 6.48 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 6.48 (1) (d) If the clerk determines that the challenged elector is not qualified,
8 the clerk shall ~~change the challenged elector's registration from eligible to ineligible~~
9 ~~status on~~ remove the elector from the registration list and notify the inspectors for
10 the ward or election district where the elector was registered.

11 **SECTION 10.** 6.48 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 6.48 (2) (b) Upon appearing in person, objectors shall be examined, under oath,
13 by the commissioners and testimony taken. Judgment rests with the board of
14 election commissioners and decisions shall be rendered as soon as heard. All cases
15 are heard and decided summarily. The commissioners shall determine whether the
16 person objected to is qualified. If ~~they~~ the commissioners determine that a person
17 is not qualified, the executive director of the board of election commissioners shall
18 ~~change the elector from eligible to ineligible status on~~ remove the elector from the
19 registration list and shall notify the proper ward officials of the change immediately.

20 **SECTION 11.** 6.50 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 6.50 (2) If an elector to whom a notice of suspension was mailed under sub. (1)
22 has not applied for continuation of registration within 30 days of the date of mailing,
23 the commission shall ~~change the registration status of that elector from eligible to~~
24 ~~ineligible~~ remove the elector from the registration list on the day that falls 30 days
25 after the date of mailing.

SENATE BILL 26**SECTION 12**

1 **SECTION 12.** 6.50 (2g) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 6.50 (2g) The commission may delegate to a municipal clerk or board of election
3 commissioners of a municipality the responsibility to ~~change the registration status~~
4 of remove electors from the registration list when required under sub. (2).

5 **SECTION 13.** 6.50 (2r) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.50 (2r) (g) The number of electors who received notices under sub. (1) and
7 ~~whose status changed from eligible to ineligible~~ who were removed from the
8 registration list.

9 **SECTION 14.** 6.50 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 6.50 (3) Upon receipt of reliable information that a registered elector has
11 changed his or her residence to a location outside of the municipality, the municipal
12 clerk or board of election commissioners shall notify the elector by mailing a notice
13 by 1st class mail to the elector's registration address stating the source of the
14 information. All municipal departments and agencies receiving information that a
15 registered elector has changed his or her residence shall notify the clerk or board of
16 election commissioners. If the elector no longer resides in the municipality or fails
17 to apply for continuation of registration within 30 days of the date the notice is
18 mailed, the clerk or board of election commissioners shall ~~change the elector's~~
19 ~~registration from eligible to ineligible status~~ remove the elector from the registration
20 list. Upon receipt of reliable information that a registered elector has changed his
21 or her residence within the municipality, the municipal clerk or board of election
22 commissioners shall change the elector's registration and mail the elector a notice
23 of the change. This subsection does not restrict the right of an elector to challenge
24 any registration under s. 6.325, 6.48, 6.925, 6.93, or 7.52 (5).

25 **SECTION 15.** 6.50 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 6.50 (4) The municipal clerk or board of election commissioners shall ~~change~~
2 ~~the registration of~~ remove deceased electors from ~~eligible to ineligible status~~ the
3 registration list by means of checking vital statistics reports. No notice need be sent
4 of registration changes made under this subsection.

5 **SECTION 16.** 6.50 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 6.50 (5) The registration of any elector whose address is listed at a building
7 ~~which~~ that has been condemned for human habitation by the municipality under s.
8 66.0413 (1) (j) shall be investigated by the municipal clerk or board of election
9 commissioners. If the clerk or board of election commissioners can find no reason
10 why ~~the~~ such an elector should remain on the registration of ~~such an elector should~~
11 ~~not be changed from eligible to ineligible status~~ list, the clerk or board of election
12 commissioners shall ~~change the elector's registration status~~ remove the elector from
13 the list. If the elector has left a forwarding address with the U.S. postal service, a
14 notice of ~~change in status~~ removal shall be mailed by the clerk or board of election
15 commissioners to the forwarding address.

16 **SECTION 17.** 6.50 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 6.50 (6) The municipal clerk, upon authorization by an elector, shall ~~change the~~
18 ~~elector's registration from eligible to ineligible status~~ remove the elector from the
19 registration list.

20 **SECTION 18.** 6.50 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 6.50 (7) When an elector's registration is ~~changed from eligible to ineligible~~
22 ~~status~~ elector is removed from the registration list, the commission, municipal clerk,
23 or board of election commissioners shall ~~make an entry on the registration list~~ keep
24 a permanent record of the removal, giving the date of and reason for the change.

25 **SECTION 19.** 6.50 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

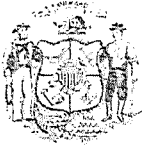
SENATE BILL 26**SECTION 19**

1 6.50 (10) Any qualified elector ~~whose registration is changed from eligible to~~
2 ~~ineligible status~~ who is removed from the registration list under this section may
3 reregister as provided under s. 6.28 (1), 6.29 (2), or 6.55 (2), or, if the elector has a
4 current and valid operator's license issued to the elector under ch. 343 or a current
5 and valid identification card issued under s. 343.50, may reregister under s. 6.30 (5).

6 **SECTION 20.** 6.56 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 6.56 (3) Upon receipt of the list under sub. (1), the municipal clerk or board of
8 election commissioners shall make an audit of all electors registering to vote at the
9 polling place or other registration location under s. 6.55 (2) and all electors
10 registering by agent on election day under s. 6.86 (3) (a) 2. unless the clerk or board
11 of election commissioners receives notice from the elections commission under sub.
12 (7) that the elections commission will perform the audit. The audit shall be made by
13 1st class postcard. The postcard shall be marked in accordance with postal
14 regulations to ensure that it will be returned to the clerk, board of election
15 commissioners, or elections commission if the elector does not reside at the address
16 given on the postcard. If any postcard is returned undelivered, or if the clerk, board
17 of election commissioners, or elections commission is informed of a different address
18 than the one specified by the elector which was apparently improper on the day of
19 the election, the clerk, board of election commissioners, or elections commission shall
20 ~~change the status of the elector from eligible to ineligible on~~ remove the elector from
21 ~~the registration list, mail the elector a notice of the change in status~~ removal, and
22 provide the name of the elector to the district attorney for the county where the
23 polling place is located and the elections commission.

24 **SECTION 21.** 6.56 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:



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Testimony before the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection

Senator André Jacque

March 16, 2023

Chair Stroebel and Members of the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection:

Thank you for holding this public hearing on Senate Bill 26, which will help instill confidence in our elections by removing ineligible voters from the official state voter registration list.

Wisconsin has operated a statewide voter registration database (WisVote) since 2006. The database system is provided and maintained by the Wisconsin Elections Commission, and includes approximately 7.1 million people, including about 3.6 million inactive voters.

Voter records can be accessed by the state's 1,849 municipal clerks. Individuals can be made inactive once they become ineligible, which can include when they die, move and register in another state, are convicted of a felony, are found to be fraudulently registered/lacking citizenship, are adjudicated incompetent to vote by a court, or are made inactive through statutory voter list maintenance processes ("purging" after a prolonged period of non-voting).

Unfortunately, lack of maintenance and list vulnerability can open the door for fraud. While current state law requires the voter registration database to be updated regularly and clearly gives the elections commission responsibility to maintain the list, the State Supreme Court has ruled that the job of removing voters from the rolls is solely up to local municipal elections officials, not the state commission, leaving likely ineligible voters active within the database.

Additionally, investigations have found a yet-to-be-fully-quantified number of Wisconsinites whom a court has deemed incompetent to vote are still listed as active voters — and actually cast ballots in past elections. Courts currently report to WEC when individuals have lost the right to vote (adjudicated incompetent for voting purposes), and courts also report to WEC when individuals have their right to vote restored by the courts, but these changes are not automatically reflected by WEC within WisVote.

We agree with the Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition that, "Voters found by a court to be incompetent to vote should not be on the voter rolls."

The WisVote database currently has both eligible and ineligible voters in the same database. This legislation would change that by requiring WEC to remove ineligible voters from the list and requiring permanent documentation of those actions, including the date of and reason for the removal to create a chain of custody that can be followed to show when a voter is moved from active to inactive. Consistent with current law, this proposal provides that an individual who is removed from the registration list may reregister to vote as provided by law should they subsequently become eligible to register to vote in Wisconsin.

Thank you, and I'm happy to answer any questions you may have.



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STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 59TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Testimony on Senate Bill 26

Senate Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection
Thursday March 16th, 2023

Thank you, Chairman Stroebel, Vice-Chairman Bradley, and members of the Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection Committee for the opportunity to testify in favor of Senate Bill 26. I would also like to thank Senator André Jacque for authoring this legislation with me.

This issue was brought to my attention by my constituents who have grave concern with our election process. Since 2006, Wisconsin has operated a statewide voter registration database. The database system is provided and maintained by the Wisconsin Elections Commission, and includes approximately 7.1 million people, including about 3.6 million inactive voters. Voter records can be accessed by the state's municipal clerks, and individuals can be made inactive once they become ineligible, which can include when they die, move and register in another state, are convicted of a felony, are found to be fraudulently registered/lacking citizenship, are adjudicated incompetent to vote by a court, or are made inactive through statutory voter list maintenance processes.

In addition, lack of maintenance and list vulnerability has left our elections susceptible to fraud. While current state law requires the voter registration database to be updated regularly and gives the elections commission responsibility to maintain the list, municipal elections officials are tasked with removing voters from rolls. This has left likely ineligible voters active within the database.

Further election integrity must be implemented in our state to ensure that our elections are fair and without fraud. I understand that our system is far from perfect, however, it is up to the elected officials of this state to make certain to the public that our elections are not stolen.

Under this bill, if a voter appearing on the registration list becomes ineligible to vote for any reason, he or she must be removed from the list and the Elections Commission must keep a permanent record of the removal, including the date of and reason for the removal. Consistent with current law, an individual who is removed from the registration list and subsequently becomes eligible to register to vote in Wisconsin may reregister as provided by law. Passing this legislation will help prevent fraud, restore faith, and inject trust in our elections.

Again, thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully ask for your support.



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3/15/2023

Wisconsin Senate - Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection

Re: SB-26 Relating to removing ineligible voters from the official voter registration list

Good morning committee members:

In my humble opinion, the basic intent of SB-26 is to find a way to clean up our voter rolls, and address the perception some have on the accuracy and/or possible misuse of this data. That being said, is SB-26 in its current form actually needed?

Is there a concern that every name in the current database is being listed in the poll book used in elections? If so, it is unfounded and any clerk could explain why.

I'd like to share briefly how our current WisVote system actually works:

- Currently, only electors who are eligible to vote and properly registered to vote, appear in the poll book.
- Currently, if an elector becomes ineligible to vote, their status is changed, the date and reason for the change is recorded, and they are not registered to vote (NOT in poll book).
- Currently, any elector who later becomes eligible, and is not properly registered to vote, must re-register in order to vote (back in poll book).
- Currently, it is also possible for absolutely anyone to independently verify eligible and ineligible records, noting any changes to the status that may occur.

I believe all of these items mentioned are the intent of the bill. All of these items already occur.

Our WisVote system pulls data from a database, which contains over 15 years of voter history. If we remove all ineligible records, there would be no voting history, and no records of deceased or adjudicated incompetent voters in the system. That's worrisome to say the least. For example, will we have any method of comparison to see if someone is trying to register as a voter who is deceased? Wouldn't it be prudent to retain historical

data to help safeguard our elections against fraud or abuse of the system? I don't see how SB-26 addresses that. SD-26 does fail to answer some questions.

- Is this bill trying to create two databases? If so, that seems extremely cumbersome.
- If we have two databases, will clerks lose the ability to see valuable voter history? If so, that doesn't seem helpful.
- Is "removal" defined? Could moving a record to a separate tab within Excel qualify? Switching a voter from Active to Inactive already accomplishes this.
- What constitutes a "permanent record" ("...the commission shall keep a permanent record...")?
- Would the goal of removal, separation, or segregation of data be obtained more easily with simply adding more strict screening criteria in the current system?

Finally, is it also possible that, perhaps when most, if not all, of the questions can be answered, and understanding of the current system is achieved, SB-26 in its current form may not be needed? My opinion, it is not.

Thank you for your time and service.

Sincerely,



Jon Dolson

Date: March 15, 2023

To: Senator Stroebel, Chair, and members of the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Elections, and Consumers Protection

Re: Public Comments on SB-26 – Ineligible Voters

From: Barbara Beckert, Director of External Advocacy Disability Rights Wisconsin barbarab@drwi.org

Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW) is the federally mandated Protection and Advocacy agency for Wisconsin, charged with protecting the voting rights of people with disabilities and mandated to help “ensure the full participation in the electoral process for individuals with disabilities, including registering to vote, casting a vote, and accessing polling places.” (Help America Vote Act, 42 U.S.C. § 15461 (2002)).

DRW staff are on the frontline supporting voters with disabilities. We staff a voter hotline year round, and provide training and education about voting to people with disabilities and those who may support them – family members, service providers, and in some cases election workers. We coordinate the Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition in partnership with the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities.

As stated by the Legislative Reference Bureau, “under current law, if a voter who appears on the official voter registration list maintained by the Elections Commission becomes ineligible to vote for any reason, his or her status is changed from eligible to ineligible on the registration list. Under this bill, if a voter appearing on the registration list becomes ineligible to vote for any reason, he or she must be removed from the list and the Elections Commission must keep a permanent record of the removal, including the date of and reason for the removal.”

DRW agrees it is important to have clear and accurate information in Wisconsin’s voter rolls about whether voters are eligible or ineligible to vote. The current system of maintaining one list with appropriate designations of “eligible” and “ineligible” accomplishes this goal. The

creation of a second list – which is what SB 26 requires – is unnecessary. The current system allows clerks and other elections officials to easily determine the status and eligibility of a voter. Having ineligible voters on the list with their status clearly indicated provides sufficient security that prevents deceased or otherwise ineligible people from registering and voting. In addition, having one list makes it easier to correct mistakes or, if appropriate, change the status of the voter.

Having one list makes it easier for a voter and the clerk to check their eligibility. For example, we often find that people who have a guardian are unsure whether they have the right to vote, or whether the court removed that right as part of the guardianship process. Having the option to check with their clerk and determine whether they are coded “eligible” or “ineligible” is the most expedient way to determine the status of their voting rights. If there are two lists the clerk will have to check both. Having two lists – one a list of eligible voters and the second a list of ineligible voters – is cumbersome, inefficient and makes it harder to correct errors.

In addition, removing voters from the list rather than changing their status to ineligible is likely to cause confusion for voters who have had a change of address and simply need to re-register. A listing on the “ineligible” list implies that the status is permanent, and that the person cannot vote again.

As noted above, the voter registration list includes information about citizens who are ineligible to vote because the court has removed that right as part of the guardianship process. We would note that the confidentiality of guardianship information is protected by state law and it is important that our courts and election officials ensure that the confidentiality requirements of secs. 19.35 (1) (a), 19.36 (1), and 54.75, stats, are met to prevent release of confidential information to requesters or the public.

For these reasons, DRW is opposed to SB 26.

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RE: SB-26 Relating to: removing ineligible voters from the official voter registration list.

Chair and Committee Members:

Testimony for the Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill 26. Unfortunately, today's public hearing conflicts with the election inspector trainings I am teaching today, so I am unable to attend in person.

At first glance when reading this bill, it looks like it is going to solve all kinds of problems by removing ineligible voters from the registration list. Until you look at the definition of the "registration list".

5.02(17) "Registration list" means the list of electors who are properly registered to vote.

If an elector's status is changed from eligible to ineligible, then the voter is no longer considered properly registered to vote. In turn this means the voter is no long on the registration list. So, changing the terminology in the bill does not actually change what happens, which is that only properly registered voters are on the poll books.

Unless the goal of the bill is to hide the history of those ineligible voters from the clerks. By hiding the history of ineligible voters from the clerks, our election system becomes more vulnerable. Clerks would lose the ability to review and compare elector information to find fraud.

The real problem may be the understanding of what a database is. Databases, like WisVote, are a depository of information. At Badgervoters.wi.gov, anyone can request voter information. Many request the entire list of information, containing all the history with voters that currently appear on the poll books and those that do not. One misconception of this list is that all the individuals appearing on this list appear on the poll books. This is a lack of understanding that they are not looking at the registration list, what they are looking at is all the history at the point in time that the information is requested. This history shows the transparency of our system.

Please consider what you are losing verses gaining with this bill.

Thank you for your time,

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Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 8:57 AM

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Subject: 3/16/23 Public Hearing - SB 26

To the Honorable Senate Committee on Government Operations, Elections and Consumer Protection:

Please accept this email regarding the Public Hearing being held today on SB 26 from the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association (WMCA) Legislative Communications and Advocacy Committee (LCAC.) As Chairman of the LCAC, who represents the findings of the Committee on behalf of the Clerk membership of the WMCA, I respectfully register our non-support of SB 26. Our findings for the non-support is that it is useful to have inactive voters in WisVote so we can look up the history. For example, when a voter who may have been deactivated calls and wants to know why they were removed; Clerks can at least have the information of their record easily available to answer questions. The system has already flagged the voter as inactive, so we do not see the benefit of removing the record.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Coenen.

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Testimony on SB-26 from All Voting Is Local Action

My name is Joe Waldman and I am the Wisconsin Campaign Manager for All Voting Is Local Action, a nonpartisan nonprofit organization that works to remove discriminatory barriers to the ballot before Election Day to build a democracy that works for us all. I wish to express our opposition to SB-26.

All Voting Is Local Action agrees that it is important for Wisconsin's voter rolls to have clear and accurate information on each voter's status. But Wisconsin's current system of list maintenance, in which inactive voters have their status changed from eligible or ineligible, already accomplishes this goal. SB-26 would needlessly remove ineligible voters from the rolls altogether, and in doing so, risks making our elections less secure.

Right now, municipal clerks across the state are cross-referencing the voter rolls to ensure only eligible voters cast a ballot, using the state's Badger Voters system. Keeping inactive and ineligible voters on the rolls with their status clearly indicated allows election officials to easily flag ineligible voters. SB-26 makes this task more difficult by instead requiring the WEC to maintain a separate list of removed voters, rather than just using the existing Badger Votes system used by clerks to quickly request voter data.

Maintaining a new list of removed voters will considerably add to the Election Commission's already heavy workload. In addition, SB-26 is vague on how clerks would maintain easy access to this new list, even though municipal clerks need access to that information perhaps more than anyone. Before moving forward on this legislation, we urge proponents of SB-26 to consult with the clerks responsible for administering elections in their communities, as well as the members and staff of the Election Commission. This bill would make all of their lives harder, without any benefit for voters in Wisconsin.

We urge you to reject SB-26 and instead consider ways Wisconsin can improve the efficiency of our elections, expand ballot access, and aid election officials in their critically important work.

Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

More detail is needed to determine the cost of the proposal. There is not a physical "registration list." Ineligible voters are, by definition, not registered to vote. Ineligible voters do not appear on poll books - the lists of registered voters produced for each election and held at every municipality in the State of Wisconsin. There is no list of registered voters that contains inactive voter records.

The draft does not provide a definition of what removal means. Section 22 references to data "destruction" imply that the information is preserved in some way, but the mechanism of the preservation is not explained. Voter registration data is maintained in an electronic database. The electronic database contains voter records, absentee application records, absentee ballot records, care facility records, polling place records, jurisdiction and ward records, millions of address records, election plans, election reconciliation records, mailing records, felon records, death records, incompetency records, DOT license check records, training records, and staff contact records. Digital data is highly fungible, and the segregation of data depends entirely upon the screening criteria applied to the database. Physical location is effectively irrelevant to digital data unless the sponsors intend that the data be "air gapped," or physically separated from all other systems with no electronic connection whatsoever. In such a configuration access to the data would be extremely limited for agency staff, and effectively impossible for county and municipal officials. This level of separation would require additional hardware, software, and processes, but more information would be needed to determine an accurate cost for state and local officials.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications