



## 2011 SENATE BILL 165

August 11, 2011 - Introduced by Senator S. COGGS, cosponsored by Representatives YOUNG, E. COGGS, KESSLER and BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** birth certificates for Milwaukee County residents.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, beginning with the 2012 spring primary election, an individual must present proof of identification that includes a photograph of the individual to vote in an election. Under current law, a driver's license or a state identification card issued by the Department of Transportation are permissible forms of identification for voting.

Under this bill, a resident of Milwaukee County may obtain a free birth certificate for one year following the effective date of the bill if the resident needs the birth certificate in order to obtain a driver's license or identification card for the purpose of voting.

For further information see the *state and 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:*

2 **SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

3 (1) *Birth certificates for resident of Milwaukee County.* Ending one year after  
4 the effective date of this subsection .... [LRB inserts date], and notwithstanding  
5 section 69.22 (1) of the statutes, the state registrar and any local registrar acting

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1 under subchapter I of chapter 69 of the statutes may not collect the fees described  
2 in section 69.22 (1) (c) of the statutes if the requester states, in writing, that the  
3 requester is an elector and a resident of Milwaukee County and that the birth  
4 certificate is being obtained for the purpose of obtaining an operator's license issued  
5 under chapter 343 of the statutes or an identification card issued under section  
6 343.50 of the statutes for purposes of voting.

7 (END)