



Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
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Weishan Measure Allows County Employees Time Off to Work at Polling Locations

MILWAUKEE – The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors adopted (11-5) a proposal from Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr. today to allow county employees to work at polling locations on election days without having to use vacation or other accrued time off.

Weishan's resolution adopted today notes that "the inability to efficiently administer polling places can, among other things, lead to long lines, which may discourage people from voting" and that "many people do not register to be a poll worker because of the necessary advance training and the shift on Election Day often requires them to take vacation or unpaid leave from their regular job."

"We shouldn't be penalizing county employees who want to work at polling sites on Election Day. By allowing county employees to take time off to work at polling locations, we're helping ensure that all polling sites have enough workers, and we're helping reduce the amount of time that citizens will have to stand in line to vote" said Weishan.

Weishan's [proposal](#) allows Milwaukee County employees to be released with pay from their work assignment, subject to the approval of their supervisor, in order to train or serve as a poll worker.

Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr., represents the 14th District on the Board of Supervisors.

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