Joint Committee on Election Laws

Bill Summary

BILL NUMBER   Senate, No. 497

TITLE   An Act clarifying the role of governor's councillor on the ballot

SPONSORS   Senators Barrett, Brady, Mark, Eldridge, Comerford, Jehlen, and Rausch

SUMMARY

Currently, when people vote in elections, the position of governor's councillor -- a member of the Governor's Council which approves or disapproves of gubernatorial actions like appointments and pardons -- is listed as "Councillor." The bill clarifies, on ballots, the position voters are voting on by ensuring that the role is listed as "Governor's Councillor" rather than "Councillor."