

Speaker of the Wisconsin State Assembly

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Announcement Regarding Election Investigation

Madison...Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) released the following statement regarding the independent election investigation led by former Justice Gableman.

"Many questions have been raised about the November election that expose weaknesses and faults in our current election system.

"It has become clear that a top-to-bottom investigation will take longer than initially anticipated and will require more manpower to complete.

"To restore full integrity and trust in elections, we have decided to change direction, giving more authority and independence to Justice Gableman. I am declaring him Special Counsel and am giving him the authority to hire more full-time investigators who will work at his direction.

"After talking with our original investigative team, we realize that the part-time nature of these contracts is less time than is needed to complete the investigation. Justice Gableman will have the resources and ability to determine the need for any future adjustments.

"Through this investigation, we aim to ensure there is confidence that every vote will be counted, and laws concerning future elections will be faithfully and uniformly followed.

"We hope to complete a thorough investigation in the fall and review the findings at the same time we receive findings from the nonpartisan Legislative Audit Bureau, who are currently conducting a statewide, multi-faceted forensic audit."

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