

Evers orders special election to fill Barca Assembly seat

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Gov. Tony Evers this morning called a special election for April 30 to fill the Assembly seat Dem Peter Barca left to join the gov's administration as Revenue secretary.

Evers' executive order also means the expected primary for the strongly Dem seat would line up with the April 2 general election.

Under the order, candidates can begin circulating nomination papers today, and they'll be due at 5 p.m. March 5.

So far, Dems Tip McGuire, a former aide to Barca who's now an assistant DA for Milwaukee County, and Gina Walkington, a community organizer, have formally announced plans to run for Barca's former seat.

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