

When act to
take effect.

SEC. 39. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6, 1877.

CHAPTER 7.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER FORTY-EIGHT (48) OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE (1873), BEING AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION FIVE (5) OF CHAPTER ONE (1) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Poll lists to be
made 15 days
before election.

When judges
shall meet for
correction of
lists.

Instructions to
judges.

SECTION 1. Section five (5) of chapter one (1) of the general statutes, is here amended so as to read as follows: The judges of the election in each election district, at least fifteen (15) days before any election, shall make a list of the names of all persons who are entitled to vote in their respective election districts at such election, which list shall contain the surnames of such persons in alphabetical order. Three (3) copies of said list shall, at least ten (10) days before such election, be posted in three (3) public places in each election district, together with a notice of the time and place when and where the judges of election will be present for the purpose of making corrections in said list. The said judges of election, on Wednesday next preceding such election, and, if necessary, for the next three (3) days, from the hour of nine (9) in the forenoon to four (4) in the afternoon, and in cities containing a population of four thousand (4,000) inhabitants and upwards, in addition thereto, from the hour of eight (8) to the hour of ten (10) in the evening, and on the day immediately preceding such election from the hour of nine (9) in the forenoon to nine (9) in the afternoon, and for two (2) hours next preceding the opening of the polls on the day of such election, shall be present at the place appointed for the holding of such election in their respective election districts for the purpose of making corrections in said list. In making such corrections said judges of election shall insert upon such list the additional names of all persons properly shown to be entitled to vote at such election, and erase from said

list the names of all persons properly shown not to be entitled to vote at such election. The said judges, in first making out said list, shall consult the poll list used at the last preceding election in their respective election districts, and shall place on said list the names of all persons whom they know, or with reasonable diligence ascertain, to be entitled to vote at such election, in their respective election districts. In making the final corrections of said list, to ascertain who are entitled to vote at such election, the said judges shall be governed by the rules and regulations hereinafter for that purpose prescribed, and at such election no person shall vote whose name is not upon said list at the time of opening the polls. *Provided*, that any person offering to vote, whose name is not on said list, can produce evidence which satisfies all the judges that he has the qualifications of an elector in said district, and entitled to vote at such election, but whose name has been accidentally omitted from said list, then the name of such person shall be added to said list, and he shall be allowed to vote; nor shall the vote of any person be rejected whose name is upon said list at the time of opening the polls. *Provided*, that evidence satisfying all the judges be produced showing that the name was registered by mistake, and that the person so offering to vote has not the qualifications of an elector in said district and is not entitled to vote at such election, then the name of such person shall be stricken from said list, and he shall not be allowed to vote; but in all such cases an entry shall be made opposite the name added to or stricken from [the] said list after the opening of the polls. And the judges of election shall make or cause to be made a duplicate of said list, so that there shall be two (2) register poll lists at every election.

Evidence necessary to be produced by a voter not registered.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When not to take effect.

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