

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

Approved April 14, 1897.

## CHAPTER 125.

S. F. No. 337.

*An act to amend sections four (4) and eight (8) of chapter two hundred and seventy-six (276) of the general laws of 1895, relating to primary elections.*

Primary elections

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

SECTION 1. That section four (4) of chapter two hundred and seventy-six (276) of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (1895), be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 4. Such primary election shall be held between two (2) and nine (9) o'clock p. m., at an hour to be fixed by the committee calling the same, and shall be held open not less than one (1) hour.

Between 2 and 9 p. m.

All primary elections of a political party for each city or county held in the different election districts of a city or county for the purpose of electing delegates to the same political convention shall be held on the same day, and at the same hour. When the hour for holding the primary election in any election district has arrived, the primary shall be called to order by the chairman or secretary of the precinct committee, or in their absence, by some other qualified voter of the party holding such primary election, and the qualified voters, members of the political party holding the primary election, present, shall choose from their number a chairman, a clerk of election and two judges of election, selected as far as possible from the known friends of the different candidates for office to be filled at the city or county convention.

All elections at same hour.

The officers of a primary election may be chosen by a *viva voce* vote, but no person shall vote on said election of officers at any primary unless he is qualified to vote on the election of delegates which said primary is called to elect, but all delegates to a political convention shall be elected by ballot, and each qualified voter at each primary shall place on his ballot, which may be written or printed, or partly written and partly printed, as many names for delegates as such precinct is entitled to in convention; *provided*, that if any ballot contains more names than such precinct is entitled to delegates,

Manner of voting.

When ballot void.

such ballot shall be wholly void. Those persons who receive the highest number of votes in any precinct shall be declared elected, and a plurality shall elect, and in case of a tie vote the officer of said primary shall designate by lot which of the persons so tied shall be entitled to be delegate.

SEC. 2. "That section eight (8) of said chapter be amended so as to read as follows:

Delegate conventions.

SEC. 8. The duly authorized committee of a political party in the state of Minnesota, or in any county or city of the state, may call a delegate convention for the purpose of electing delegates to another convention. When the convention to which delegates are to be elected is a state convention, all the counties in the state shall hold their convention for the election of delegates to the state convention on the same day, the day to be fixed in the call issued by the duly authorized state committee, and when the convention to which delegates are to be elected is a district convention, composed of more than one county, all the counties composing the district shall hold their conventions on the same day, the day to be fixed in the call issued by the duly authorized committee.

The call shall be issued under the provisions of this act, and the primary election for the election of delegates to such county or city convention shall be conducted under the provisions of this act. *Provided*, this act shall not apply to any political party in any county, city or district polling less than five (5) per centum of the votes cast at the last general election."

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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S. F. No. 238.

## CHAPTER 126.

Property exempt from execution.

*An act to amend section three hundred and ten (310) of chapter sixty-six (66) of the general statutes, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878), relative to property exempt from execution, as amended by chapter five (5) of the "general laws eighteen hundred and seventy-nine (1879)," and being section five thousand and four hundred and fifty-nine (5459) of general statutes one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four (1894).*

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