

of Minnesota shall appoint one suitable and legally qualified person to hold the office of Judge of the District Court of the Second Judicial District hereby created until the election and taking of office by incumbent thereof under the provisions of Section 2 of this act. Any vacancy in the office hereby created shall be filled in like manner as is or shall be provided by law for the filling of vacancies in the offices of other Judges of the District Court of said District.

Approved February 20, 1915.

CHAPTER 17—H. F. No. 52.

An Act to amend Section 1203 of General Statutes of 1913, relating to the reincorporation of villages and boroughs.

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

Section 1. Proposed relinquishment of village or borough charter may be submitted to voters at annual village election on proper notice being given.—That Section 1203 of General Statutes of 1913 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1203. Surrender of charter—Reincorporation.—Any village or borough organized under general or special charter may relinquish the same, and thenceforth be governed as herein provided. The council or other governing body may propose such relinquishment by a resolution ordering a special election thereon, *or ordering such proposition to be submitted at the annual village election.* Notice of such special election, and the conduct thereof, shall be as prescribed by law for other special village or borough elections. *If submitted at the annual village election, the notice of such election shall contain a notice of the submission of such proposition.* The ballots used shall bear the printed words, "For reincorporation—Yes—No," with a square after each of the last two words, in one of which the voter may insert a cross to express his choice. If a majority of the votes cast *upon such proposition* be in the affirmative, said governing body shall declare the result by resolution, a certified copy of which shall be filed with the county auditor, and another with the secretary of state. Thereupon the former charter shall cease, and the applicable provisions of this chapter be substituted therefor. But until after the election next ensuing, as herein provided, the officers of such former organization shall continue in the discharge of their official duties, being governed therein, so far as practicable, by this chapter.

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

Approved February 23, 1915.