

viva voce vote. *Provided, that in any village having more than three hundred (300) inhabitants, the village council may by resolution, adopted more than twenty (20) days before any such election, fix the hours for the opening and closing of the polls so that the same shall be open at least eight hours and shall open not later than 12 o'clock noon and close not later than 9 o'clock p. m., and the notice of election shall specify the hours the polls shall open and close.*

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

Approved April 17, 1919.

CHAPTER 283—S. F. No. 1021.

An act to give sellers and consignors of grain a first lien upon the membership of any member of any chamber of commerce or board of trade on account of any indebtedness arising from the purchase, or sale upon consignment, of grain by such member.

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

Section 1. **First lien upon membership, membership to be sold to highest bidder.**—That the indebtedness of any member of any chamber of commerce or board of trade or other grain exchange for or on account of any grain purchased by such member, or sold by him as agent or commission merchant, shall be and constitute a first lien upon the membership of such member prior and paramount to the lien of all other members of such chamber of commerce, board of trade or other grain exchange; notwithstanding any rule or by-law of such grain exchange to the contrary.

Provided, however, that the lien above mentioned shall not be exercised unless and in case the bond required of grain commission merchants by the state of Minnesota shall fail to completely satisfy the debts due to the sellers and consignors of said grain.

And provided further that in the enforcement of the lien against the membership of the member of the grain exchange above mentioned the said membership shall be sold to the highest bidder in accordance with the provisions of the rules of the grain exchange governing the sale of memberships to satisfy liens, and the proceeds shall then be applied by said grain exchange in satisfaction of the debt or debts of said member.

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

Approved April 17, 1919.