

## CHAPTER 171—S. F. No. 27

[Coded]

*An act relating to elections, providing for a recount of the ballots cast thereat, authorizing any county canvassing board to require election officials of any precinct to recount the ballots cast and to make a new return thereof under certain conditions.*

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

**Section 1. [206.521] County canvassing board, refusal to count returns from certain precincts.** If in conducting the canvass of votes at any election as provided by law, any county canvassing board determines by a four-fifths vote that an obvious error in the counting and recording of the vote for any particular office has been made by the election judges or clerks in any particular precinct, then and in that event, the county canvassing board shall refuse to count the returns of that particular precinct for that particular office, and shall order an inspection of the ballots and returns of the precinct election for the purpose of correcting the obvious error, which error shall be specified by written resolution of the board.

**Sec. 2. [206.522] Inspection of ballots and returns.** Such inspection shall be made in the presence of all candidates for the office of [or] their representatives by the canvassing board.

**Sec. 3. [206.523] Time for inspection.** The inspection of ballots for purposes of correcting obvious errors shall be conducted as soon as practicable by the canvassing board, upon reasonable notice to the candidates, to the office, at the office of the county auditor. The auditor shall establish the time of meeting and give the notice to candidates as required.

**Sec. 4. [206.524] Report of canvassing board as to other offices.** The report of the canvassing board as to other offices on the ballot shall not be delayed because of the inspection herein provided. Appropriate notation and report of action taken with reference to the particular office in regard to which inspection has been ordered shall be made on the regular report of the canvassing board.

**Sec. 5. [206.525] Report to county auditor.** As soon as practicable after the board has re-examined the ballots and returns it shall report to the county auditor. This report shall be signed by all of the canvassing board members and shall contain the following information :

(a) A copy of the resolution of the canvassing board specifying the error to be corrected.

(b) A statement of the minutes of the first meeting of the board for purposes of correcting obvious errors showing the time, date and place of the meeting and appearances entered by or on behalf of the candidates.

(c) A copy of the notice of meeting given to each candidate with proof of service.

(d) A statement showing exact action of the board with reference to conduct of ballot inspection.

(e) A statement showing exact results of action of the board.

Sec. 6. [206.526] **Declaration of election to office.** The canvassing board shall make its declaration of election with reference to the office. This report and declaration of election shall be filed by the auditor, who shall mail a certified copy thereof to each candidate. The auditor shall immediately notify the Secretary of State by registered mail of this action of the county canvassing board.

Approved March 16, 1955.

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CHAPTER 172—S. F. No. 89

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to motor vehicles entering Monson Lake State Park.*

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

Section 1. **Monson Lake State Park, annual memorial service.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 85.05, Subdivision 2, motor vehicles may enter Monson Lake State Park for the purpose of attending a Memorial Service on one day each year without having a sticker affixed to the windshield in the lower right corner thereof.

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CHAPTER 173—S. F. No. 400

*An act relating to narcotic drugs to make uniform the law with reference thereto, amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 618.06.*