

*the domicile state of such foreign insurer and his certificate thereof shall be accepted by the commissioner.*

Approved April 30, 1969.

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CHAPTER 254—H. F. No. 1353

[Coded]

*An act relating to counties with a population of less than 100,000 according to the 1960 federal census; authority to continue utilization of applicable statutes after the 1970 federal census and after change in population class.*

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

Section 1. [373.30] **Counties; change in population of populous counties, application of statutes.** Any county with a population according to the 1960 federal census of less than 100,000 which has a population of over 100,000 as a result of the 1970 federal census shall be authorized to continue to utilize authorities granted to counties of under 100,000 population notwithstanding the change in population occurring as a result of the 1970 federal census. Statutory limitations and mandatory provisions of law relating to counties of over 100,000 population shall not apply to counties which had a population according to the 1960 federal census of less than 100,000 population. Statutory limitations and mandatory provisions of law applicable to counties of under 100,000 shall continue to apply to counties which according to the 1960 federal census had less than 100,000 and which according to the 1970 federal census have a population in excess of 100,000. Application of legislation passed in the 1969 legislative session or in subsequent sessions shall not be affected by this act.

Became law without governor's signature.

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CHAPTER 255—H. F. No. 1364

*An act relating to elections and voting machines; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 206.19.*

**Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.**

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 206.19, is amended to read:

**206.19 Elections; voting machines; instructions to judges.** *Subdivision 1.* Not more than 21 days before each ~~election and primary or election if no primary is held~~ at which a voting machine is to be used, there shall be held under the direction of the proper authority having charge of the conduct of the elections, a meeting or meetings for the purpose of instructing the judges about the operation of the voting machine and the duties of election officials when voting machines are used. Each judge serving in a precinct where voting machines are used, shall attend *at least one such meeting preceding each election at prior to either the primary or the other election in which such judge is to serve*, and shall receive a certificate showing that he has attended such instruction meeting and has been found qualified to serve. Each judge, who shall attend such instruction meeting and shall qualify and serve at an election, shall receive the sum of \$1 for the time spent in receiving such instruction, in addition to car or railroad fare in going to or returning from such meeting, which shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as the payment for serving on election day. Such certificate shall not be issued to any person unless he has attended an instruction meeting and been found qualified and no person shall be eligible to serve as judge unless he has first received a certificate as herein provided. In case of emergency, when an insufficient number of certified judges is available for the proper conduct of the election, there shall be appointed a sufficient number of judges to conduct such election, although such judges have not received the required certificate; provided that no person shall be appointed a judge who is not a qualified voter in the precinct to which he is appointed as such judge, except as otherwise provided by law.

*Subd. 2.* The authorities in charge of elections shall provide adequate facilities for the instruction of voters prior to an election and cause to be placed in one or more convenient locations a voting machine with sample ballot labels affixed for the purpose of instructing voters in the operation of the machine. If the ballot labels that are used for this purpose are the same that will be used for the succeeding election the counting mechanism of the machine shall be concealed from view until the machine is prepared for the election and if the machine or machines are not used at the election the counting mechanism shall remain concealed from view until after the election.

*Subd. 3.* The judges of each precinct shall meet at the polling place at least one hour before the time for opening the polls. The keys

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to the voting machines shall be delivered to one of the judges at least one hour before the time set for opening the polls in a sealed envelope on which shall be recorded the location and number of the voting machine, the number of the seal, and the number registered on the protective counter as reported by the custodian. The envelope containing the keys shall not be opened until the election officers of the precinct have examined the same to see that it has not been opened and shall have ascertained that the number registered on the protective counter and the numbers on the seals with which the machine is sealed correspond with the numbers recorded on the envelope containing the keys. If the envelope appears to have been opened, or if the numbers do not agree, or if the numbered metal seal is broken or has been tampered with, or if any other discrepancy is found, the judges shall immediately notify the custodian or other authorized person who shall present himself at the polling place and reexamine such machine and if found to be properly arranged and in order to so certify. If the numbers on the seals and on the protective counter are found to agree with the numbers on the envelope, the judges shall then open the door concealing the registering counters, and carefully examine every counter to see that it registers zero (000) and shall also allow the watchers to examine them, provided that if the machine is equipped with a device for printing, embossing, or photographing the registering counters, in lieu of opening the machine, the judges shall operate the machine to produce a printed, embossed, or photographed record to see that every counter registers zero (000) and shall allow the watchers to examine such record. The judges shall then compare the ballot labels on the voting machine with the statements of canvass furnished, and see that the names and numbers, and letters, if any, thereon agree. The judges shall then sign a certificate showing the delivery of the keys in a sealed envelope, the number on the seal or seals, the number registered on the protective counter, that all the registering counters are set at zero (000), and that the ballot labels are properly placed in the machine.

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#### CHAPTER 256—H. F. No. 1501

*An act relating to motor vehicles; equipment and size, weight and load limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Sections 169.47 and 169.80, Subdivision 1.*

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

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