

CHAPTER 405—S. F. No. 153

An act relating to elections; authorizing villages to hold elections on the uniform municipal election day; providing for the terms of municipal officers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 205.20, Subdivisions 1 and 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 205.20, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

205.20 Elections; date of village election; uniform municipal election day. Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For the purposes of this section, the term municipality means a city, however organized, *village*, or borough.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 205.20, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Modification of terms of office.** If the uniform municipal election day is adopted, the terms of all incumbents at the time of adoption of the ordinance holding offices filled by municipal election whose terms end at a different date are hereby extended to the first business day in January of the even numbered year first following the date the term would otherwise expire, unless this extension would be longer than 13 months. If the extension would be longer than 13 months, the terms of such incumbents are hereby shortened so as to end on the first business day in January of the even numbered year first preceding the date the term would otherwise expire.

Notwithstanding any provision of law or municipal charter to the contrary, the governing body of a municipality adopting the uniform municipal election day shall in the adopting ordinance designate a new term for each office to be filled where the term for such office at the time of the ordinance is an odd number of years. Such new terms shall be an even number of years and for no more than one year longer than the term in effect at the time of the adoption of the ordinance. *At the time of any election*, the governing body may also provide that one or more members of any multi-member body shall, ~~at the first election held on the uniform municipal election day,~~ be elected for a shorter term than is otherwise provided ~~so as, if and in the manner necessary to achieve staggered terms on such multi-member bodies so that, to the extent mathematically possible, the same number of members is thereafter chosen at each election, exclusive of those chosen to fill vacancies for unexpired terms. If a village adopts the uniform municipal election day, it may in the adopting resolution~~

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*provide that the terms of the mayor and council members are there-
after four years.*

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CHAPTER 406—S. F. No. 328

[Coded]

*An act relating to peddlers; providing penalties; amending Min-
nesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 329, by adding a section.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 329, is amended
by adding a section to read:

[329.095] Peddlers; deaf or masquerading as deaf.
*Subdivision 1. No person shall, while engaged in the busi-
ness of peddling, sell or distribute finger alphabet cards or printed
matter stating that the person is deaf, or use finger alphabet cards or
such printed matter or masquerade as a deaf person in any way as a
means of inducement in the sale of merchandise; and no state or local
license as provided in chapter 329 shall be issued to any person for
the purpose of peddling finger alphabet cards or printed matter stat-
ing that the person is deaf, or masquerading as a deaf person.*

*Subd. 2. Any person who, while engaged in the business of
peddling, sells or distributes finger alphabet cards or such printed
matter, or uses the same, or masquerades as a deaf person in any way
as a means of inducement in the sale of merchandise shall be guilty
of a misdemeanor.*

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CHAPTER 407—S. F. No. 360

*An act relating to taxation; providing special property tax treat-
ment for the homesteads of the blind; amending Minnesota Statutes
1967, Section 273.13, Subdivision 7.*

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

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