CHAPTER 3.

[H. F. No 750.]

AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION ONE (1) OF ARTICLE FOUR (4) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, RELATING TO SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to section one (1) of article four (4), of the constitution of the state of Minnesota is hereby proposed to the people of said state, that is to say, that said section shall be amended so as to read as follows:

Sessions of the legislature. "Section 1. The legislature shall consist of the Senate and House of Representatives, which shall meet biennially at the seat of government of the state, at such time as shall be prescribed by law, but no session shall exceed the term of ninety (90) legislative days, and no new bill shall be introduced in either branch, except on the written request of the governor, during the last twenty (20) days of such sessions, except the attention of the legislature shall be called to some important matter of general interest by a special message from the governor."

Submitted to the people, when.

This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of said state for their approval or rejection, at the next general election, and each of the legal voters of said state may, in their respective districts, at said election vote by ballot for or against said amendment, and the returns thereof shall be made, and certified, and such votes canvassed, and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law for returning, certifying, and canvassing votes at general elections for state officers, and declaring the result thereof, and if it shall appear that the highest number of votes cast at such election upon any proposed amendment to section one (1) of article four (4) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, have been cast in favor of this amendment, and if it shall further appear that in addition to this amendment receiving the largest number of . votes at such election cast for any proposed amendment to section one (1) of article four (4) of the constitution, that a majority of the voters present and voting at such election upon this proposed amendment have voted in favor of the same, then within three (3) days after that result shall have been ascertained and declared the governor shall make proclamation thereof; such amendment shall thereupon take effect and be in full force as part of this constitution.

SEC. 3. The ballots used at such elections by electors Ballots, form voting in favor of this amendment, shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed thereupon, the following words: "For the amendment of section one (1) of article four, (4) of the constitution of this state, providing for biennial sessions of the legislature-Yes"; or "For the amendment of section one (1) of article four (4) of the constitution of this state, providing for biennial sessions of the legislature,—No."

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from When act to take effect.

and after its passage.

Approved March 8, 1887.

CHAPTER 4.

[S. F. No. 300.]

AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS AND TO REPEAL CHAP-TER ONE (1) OF GENERAL STATUTES OF EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT (1878) AND ALL ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF,

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

Section 1., On the first (1st) Tuesday after the first (1st) Monday in November of each even numbered year, an election shall be held in the several election districts of the state, which shall be known as the general election; and the several state and county officers, judges of the supreme and district courts, members of the legislature, and representatives in congress of the United States shall be elected at the general election next preceding the expiration of the term of each of the said officers, respectively, and on a year when a president and a vice president of the United States are to be chosen, a number of electors of president and vice president of the United States equal to the number of senators. and representatives to which this state is entitled in the congress of the United States shall be elected at said election.

Sec. 2. Every organized township and every ward of each incorporated city shall form at least one [election] district, but no election district in any incorporated city shall contain more than four hundred (400) voters, and whenever an election district is found by the number of votes there cast at any election, to contain more than four.

Time of holding elections.

Election districts, how