

CHAPTER 526.

[S. F. No. 493.]

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT (178) OF THE SPECIAL LAWS OF MINNESOTA, FOR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE (1881), ENTITLED "AN ACT RELATING TO THE GOVERNMENT OF FREE SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF ANOKA."

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

SECTION 1. Section one (1) of chapter one hundred and seventy-eight (178) of the special laws of Minnesota, for one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881), is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof, the following: "Said school district shall be known and designated as city of Anoka school district."

SEC. 2. Section three (3) of said chapter one hundred and seventy-eight is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 3. The board of education of said school district shall consist of six (6) directors. The annual meeting for the election of directors shall be held on the first Monday of September, in each year, at which election there shall be elected two (2) directors to hold office for the term of three (3) years. In case any director shall for any reason become incapacitated for said office, more than one (1) year prior to the expiration of his or her term of office a director shall be elected in place of such director at the next annual election after such vacancy occurs, who shall hold office for the unexpired term only. The persons elected directors at any annual meeting shall file in the office of the clerk of said board of education their oaths of office, as required by law, within ten (10) days after such election, and a failure to do so shall be deemed a refusal to serve.

Notice of said school elections shall be given by the clerk of said board at least ten (10) days prior thereto by causing a notice to be posted in three (3) or more public and conspicuous places in said school district and by publishing said notice, once, at least ten (10) days prior to said election, in some newspaper published in the city of Anoka. Said notices shall state the time, place or places and objects of such election. The necessary polling place or places shall be provided and designated by said board and the polls at such elections shall be opened at one (1) o'clock in the afternoon and be kept open until eight (8) o'clock in the evening of such election day. There shall be appointed by said board two (2) judges and one (1) clerk for each polling place, whose duties shall be like those of such officers at general elections. Said judges and clerk or clerks shall each be entitled to receive out of the school fund of said district the sum of two dollars (\$2) in full for their services at such election. Said officers shall be a qualified voter in said school district and not interested as a candidate at such election. At the close of the polls the judges shall place all votes cast at such election upon a string and return them, together with a certificate under their hands stating

the names of all persons voted for at said election and the number of votes cast for each person, to the clerk of said board, within two (2) days after such election. On the third (3rd) day after such election the board of education shall meet at their usual place of meeting and proceed to publicly canvass the votes cast. The two (2) persons who received the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case a tie should occur which it shall be necessary to decide, the same shall be determined by casting lots in any manner said board of education may prescribe. At least thirty (30) days prior to the next annual election after the passage of this act the said board of education shall cause the necessary number of lists of the qualified voters of said school district to be prepared for use at such election. Any qualified voter in said district shall be entitled to vote at any election therein notwithstanding his or her name may not appear on the poll lists. Challenges to the qualification of any voter may be taken as at general elections, and all laws of a general nature shall apply so far as the same do not conflict with any provision of said chapter one hundred and seventy-eight (178), or any rule or regulation adopted by said board. All ballots cast at the same polling place shall be deposited in the same box, and when any person has voted, his or her name shall be checked off the polling list by the clerk. Necessary ballot boxes shall be provided by said board, which, with the poll lists and election returns, shall be kept by the clerk of the board, when not in use. Ballots shall be preserved by the clerk for one (1) year and then be destroyed at some meeting of said board. All voters of said school district residing outside the limits of the city of Anoka, shall vote at such voting place or places as the board may designate by notice in the call for the election.

Should the provisions hereby made prove insufficient in any particular for the carrying out of the intention of this act, said board of education are hereby empowered to make all necessary rules and regulations to that end.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 5, 1889.