

ty, as in case of members of congress, judges of district courts, etc., then the fee shall be twenty (20) dollars, and shall be divided among the several counties as nearly equal as may be, and the portion due each paid at the time and in the manner as provided for single counties."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25th, 1895.

H. F. No. 568.

CHAPTER 137.

Elections.

An act to amend sections sixty-two (62) sixty-eight (68), sixty-nine (69) seventy-nine (79), and one hundred and fifty-eight (158) of chapter four (4) of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893) relating to elections.

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

SECTION 1. That section sixty-two (62) of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893), relating to elections be amended to read as follows:

In all incorporated cities of over twelve thousand (12,000) inhabitants the persons authorized by or appointed pursuant to law to act as judges of election in such city, or in any ward or other election district in such city in this state, shall constitute a board of registration for their respective cities wards or election district, and shall meet on Tuesday three (3) weeks preceding any general state or city election and fourteen (14) days before any special election.

Board of Registration.

When to meet.

Such board shall meet at six (6) o'clock in the morning at the place where the last election was held, or such other place as may be lawfully designated for the polling place for the election district, in which places such board shall continue in session until nine (9) o'clock in afternoon, and they shall proceed to make the registration as hereinafter prescribed of all persons entitled to vote at the ensuing election in such election districts. Such registration when complete shall be constituted and known as the register of electors of such election districts, and such registers shall be made by said board unless ballot judges are required or provided for, in which event three (3) registers shall be so made.

Such board shall have and exercise the same right to preserve order at their meetings as is given to judges of election to preserve order on election days, and vacan-

cies in said board shall be filled in the same manner as such vacancies are filled at election.

SEC. 2. That section sixty-eight (68) of chapter four (4) of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893), relating to elections shall be amended to read as follows:

In cities having over twelve thousand (12,000) inhabitants, on Tuesday two (2) weeks preceding any general election, and on the thirteenth (13th) day preceding any special election, said board of registration shall meet at the same place as before, and shall remain in public session from six (6) o'clock in the forenoon until nine (9) o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of registering all qualified voters whose names are not yet registered.

Same—cities over 12,000.

They shall obtain from the city clerk or recorder and use the same registers as on the first day, and the same forms shall be observed in regard to registration as were required upon the first day of registration.

At the end of such day's registration the registers shall be compared and made to agree, and shall be signed as at the first day's registration and similar certificates attached with this condition thereto:

"Making the total number registered to date hereof inclusive..... of whom..... are males and..... are females."

It shall be the duty of said board during the session of that day, and before the board adjourns, to make a copy of all the names upon such registers, together with the addresses, as indicated in such registers. Immediately after its completion said copy shall be conspicuously posted outside the place of registration with a notice of the time when such board of registration will meet for the completion and final correction of its register, and shall be accessible to any elector who may desire to examine the copy of same. The registers shall be returned by one of said board to the office of said clerk or recorder before ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon of the day succeeding the day of registration,

Posting registration.

SEC. 3. That section sixty-nine (69) of chapter four (4) of the general laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893) relating to elections shall be amended to read as follows:

On the last Tuesday preceding any general election and on the day one week preceding any special election the board of elections in cities having over twelve thousand (12,000) and less than forty thousand (40,000) inhabitants shall again meet at the same place for the completion and final correction of said registers, and in like manner in cities having over forty thousand

Cities over 12,000, less than 40,000.

Times of meet-
ing.
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(40,000) inhabitants, the board of registration shall again meet on the second Saturday preceding said day of general election. Prior to each of said meetings said board of registration shall again obtain the same registers before used from the office of said clerk or recorder, and on each of said days shall be in session from six (6) o'clock in the forenoon until nine (9) o'clock in the afternoon. Any qualified elector not already registered may apply to either of said boards to have his name inserted in said register, and the same rules for registration required on previous days shall be observed by the board. It shall be the duty of each of said boards at any meeting thereof to erase from the register the name of any person inserted thereon who shall be proved by the oath of two (2) qualified electors of such district to the satisfaction of the board to be in any way disqualified to vote in such district at the ensuing election. At the end of such meeting the register shall again be compared and be made to agree and correspond and shall be signed and certified by the board as at their second meeting and deposited in the city clerk's or recorder's office before ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon of the next succeeding day.

Posting registra-
tion.

When said registration shall have been fully completed and before said board shall adjourn or separate, they shall prepare a copy of all the names and their respective addresses appearing upon such registers and post the same conspicuously forthwith outside the place of registration, or in such manner as to be plainly discernible and easily read from the outside thereof.

SEC. 4. That section seventy-nine (79) of chapter four (4) of the general laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893), relating to elections, shall be amended to read as follows:

Duties of con-
stable and
sheriff.

The judges of election may appoint one (1) special constable to attend each place of election. It shall be the duty of the sheriff, constable or special constable to keep the surroundings of the polls quiet and orderly and during voting hours to allow no person to approach within six (6) feet of the ballot boxes, or to pass behind the railing or within six (6) feet of the book or ballot compartment herein provided, except electors engaged in receiving preparing or depositing their ballots, without the permission of the judges of election. If the above named officer neglects to perform said duty, then the judges of election shall swear in any private citizens to enforce order, who shall have power as constables or conservators of the peace to make arrests for breach of the peace.

SEC. 5. That section one hundred and fifty-eight

(158) of chapter four (4) of the general laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893), relating to elections shall be amended to read as follows:

At all elections to be held under this act, each regular judge of election shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of twenty-five (25) cents per hour for each hour he is necessarily employed for each and every day of registration; and the sum of twenty-five (25) cents per hour for services during voting hours on election day; and thirty (30) cents per hour for each hour necessarily engaged in counting ballots.

Compensation
of judges,
clerks and con-
stables.

The ballot judges shall receive twenty-five (25) cents per hour for services during voting hours, and thirty cents (30) per hour for each and every hour necessarily engaged in counting ballots.

Each and every clerk of election shall receive as compensation for his services during voting hours and hours necessarily used in counting ballots, the sum of twenty-five (25) cents per hour. Any special constable shall be paid the sum of twenty (20) cents per hour for such time as the judges shall require his services, not exceeding twenty-four (24) hours; his bill to be certified by the judges.

The compensation provided for in this section, as well as the expense of providing ballot boxes and polling places, shall be borne by the several townships, cities and villages where the election is conducted, and the city and village council and town supervisor shall, in the event of disputes, determine whether or not said judges or clerks were necessarily engaged for the length of time for which compensation is claimed.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25th, 1895.

CHAPTER 138.

H. F. No. 402.

An act amendment to "An act to regulate elections" approved April twenty-first (21), eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893).

Elections.

Be in enacted by the Legislature of the state of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That section one hundred and seventy-two (172), of chapter four (4), of general laws of Minnesota, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three (1893), be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: