

CHAPTER 188—H. F. No. 1337.

An act relating to elections in certain townships and authorizing the division of townships into voting districts in certain cases.

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

Section 1. Certain townships to establish election districts.

—The board of supervisors in any town in this state having a population, including the residents of all villages which are a part of such town for election and assessment purposes, of 10,000 or more, may, by resolution adopted thirty days in advance of the annual town meeting, provide for the division of such township into not more than four voting districts for the purpose of electing town officers, and in such resolution shall designate a polling place for each voting district established and fix the hours of voting for candidates for town offices at such election and shall appoint two judges and one clerk to serve in each voting district as a board of registration and election board. Such division shall be only for the purpose of electing candidates for town office and shall not change the manner of transacting other business at town meetings. The notice of the annual meeting in such case shall describe the different voting districts and the polling places in each and shall state that candidates for town office will be voted on only at such polling places and that all other business of the annual meeting will be transacted at the usual place of meeting, the time and place of which shall be specified in such notice.

Such resolution shall also provide for the registration of voters on the first Tuesday in March, and only voters duly registered in accordance with the provisions of such resolution shall be permitted to vote for candidates for town office at such election. The laws relating to the registration of voters at general elections shall, so far as practicable, apply to and govern the registration of voters at town elections in such cases.

Sec. 2. Town board to canvass votes.—Each election board shall count the votes cast, proclaim the results and submit returns signed by the members of such board to the town board of supervisors, and within two days after the election the town board of supervisors shall meet as a canvassing board and declare the results appearing from said returns. In case of a tie the election shall be determined by lot under the direction of the town board.

Sec. 3. Election supplies to be furnished.—Proper ballots, ballot boxes and election supplies shall be prepared by the town clerk and shall be furnished to the several election boards in advance of the election. All the provisions of the laws now in force relating to the counting, tallying and preserving of ballots at general elections shall apply, except that the town clerk shall be the final custodian of such ballots.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 10, 1923.

CHAPTER 189—S. F. No. 203.

An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 223, Laws 1917, entitled "an act to provide for allowances out of the county and state funds in certain cases for the support of dependent children in their own homes, and for investigation and supervision of such cases, and to repeal Sections 7197, 7198 and 7199, General Statutes 1913."

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

Section 1. Mothers pensions to be paid from poor fund of counties.—That Section 2 of Chapter 223, Laws 1917, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 2. A certified copy of such order shall be filed with the county auditor and thereafter, so long as such order remains in force and unmodified, it shall be the duty of the county auditor each month to draw his warrant on the General Revenue or *poor* fund of the county in favor of the mother for the amount specified in such order. The warrant shall be delivered to the clerk of the court making the order and shall by the latter be delivered to the mother upon her executing a receipt therefor, to be retained by the clerk with the other records in the proceedings relating to the child. It shall be the duty of the county treasurer to pay the warrant out of the General Revenue or *poor* fund of the county when properly presented. No such allowance shall be paid toward the support of any child who has become lawfully entitled to apply for and receive an employment certificate or who has ceased to be under the immediate care of the mother. The court may for cause duly shown revoke or modify any order previously made. A certified copy of any such subsequent order shall forthwith be filed with the county auditor and thereafter warrants shall be drawn and payments made only in accordance with such subsequent order." This act shall not authorize the county auditor, in any county now or hereafter caring for the poor of the county under the commission system, to draw his warrant on the poor fund of such county in favor of any mother for the amount specified in any such order.

Sec. 2. Inconsistent act repealed.—That Sections 7197, 7198 and 7199 General Statutes of Minnesota for 1913 are hereby specifically repealed.

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 10, 1923.