

CHAPTER 564—S. F. No. 1186

An act relating to methods of canvassing votes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 206.46.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 206.46, is amended to read as follows:

206.46. Canvassing votes; methods; inspection. *The ballot box shall be opened by two election judges, each of whom shall belong to a different political party, if practical. One election judge shall then remove one ballot at a time from the ballot box, inspect the ballot for correctness as to voting and marking, and then hand the ballot to the second judge who shall read each name voted for in a firm voice to two tally clerks. The tally clerks shall each be provided with a tally sheet. Such tally sheets shall be provided in the same manner as tally books pursuant to sections 206.28 and 206.29. Each tally line shall have space for 200 votes by marking four marks up and down and one mark diagonally across the first four marks, making a total of five votes in each square. Five such lines shall be provided after each candidate's name, and the tally sheet shall contain the names of all the candidates for office in the particular election or the title of any proposition that is voted upon.*

All ballot boxes shall be opened as described in this section but in rotation pursuant to the provisions of section 206.41.

All defective ballots shall be disposed of as provided in section 206.52.

This procedure shall be followed by the judges and clerks until all votes cast for every candidate for office, every group of presidential electors, and for or against every proposition voted upon shall be counted and canvassed. The tally sheets provided for in this chapter shall be furnished by the city clerk for city elections and by the county auditor for county and state elections.

At the close of such canvass, before the returns are completed, the judges and clerks shall sign a certificate on the back of each tally sheet which shall be substantially as follows:

“CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned judges and clerks of the Precinct, Ward, of the (City) (Village) (Town) of

....., Minnesota, do hereby certify that all ballots cast at the election held, 19...., were carefully and properly piled, checked and counted, and that the number of votes marked opposite the respective names of the candidates, the respective groups of presidential electors, and respectively for and against the propositions voted upon correctly shows the number of votes so cast.

Signed:.....
.....Judges

Signed:.....
.....Clerks

Dated, Minnesota,, 19....”

Sec. 2. **Effective date.** This act shall take effect as and of January 1, 1948.

Approved April 26, 1947.

CHAPTER 565—S. F. No. 1206

[Coded as Section 125.066, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3]

An act relating to the powers and duties of school boards to rent school buses.

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

[125.066] **School district may rent school bus.** Section 1. Subdivision 1. **Not to interfere with school use.** A school district may rent to any person, for any lawful purpose, any school bus owned by the school district. The use and operation of such school bus by such person shall not interfere with the use and operation of such bus by the school district for the transportation of school children to and from school.

Sec. 2. Subd. 2. **Motor vehicle tax.** Any such lessee so leasing or renting school buses may use and operate the same as provided in this act without the payment of a motor vehicle tax thereon as provided for in Chapter 168 of Minnesota Statutes 1941.

Sec. 3. Subd. 3. **Lessee liable in tort.** Any such lessee shall be liable for any and all claims for injuries and damages arising out of the use and operation of any bus so leased or rented; and the leasing or renting of any such bus shall