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CHAPTER 251.

AN ACT to amend section 49 of the statutes of 1898 as amended by chapter 72 of the laws of 1899 and as further amended by chapter 404 of the laws of 1901, relating to elections.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Polls, opening and closing of; change of time. SECTION 1. Section 49 of the statutes of 1898 as amended by chapter 72 of the laws of 1899 and as further amended by chapter 404 of the laws of 1901, is hereby amended so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 49. The polls of every election in every city of five thousand (5000) inhabitants * * * and less than one hundred thousand (100,000), shall be opened at six o'clock in the morning and be closed at seven o'clock in the evening of the same day and in cities of one hundred thousand or over the polls shall be opened at six o'clock in the morning and be closed at eight o'clock in the evening of the same day. The polls of the election held in other cities, and in towns and villages on the Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, shall be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as may be, and close at sundown, provided that the common council of any city, containing less than five thousand inhabitants, the town board of any town or board of trustees of any village, may by resolution adopted and published in some newspaper in said city, town or village, or in case there be no newspaper published therein, then in some newspaper published in the county in which such city, town or village is located, at least ten days before the election, fix an earlier hour for the opening of the polls in such city, town or village, not earlier than sunrise; cities of less than five thousand inhabitants, and all towns and villages in counties of not less than two hundred thousand inhabitants may, by such resolution, open the polls not earlier than six o'clock in the morning, and cause them to be kept open not later than seven o'clock in the evening. Inspectors of election shall cause public proclamation to be made at the opening and closing of the polls.

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

Approved May 25, 1905.