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CHAPTER 165.

AN ACT to amend 10.04 (1), (2), (5), (6) and (7) and to create 10.04 (8) of the statutes, relating to the appointment of inspectors and ballot clerks in cities of the first class.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (1), (2), (5), (6) and (7) of section 10.04 of the statutes are amended to read:

(10.04) (1) Such board of election commissioners shall, during the month of January, 1920, and during the same month biennially thereafter, appoint 3 qualified voters as inspectors of election for each precinct in said cities. They shall be citizens of the United States; shall be * * * of good repute and character; able to read and write the English language; be of good understanding and capable. They must reside in the ward for which they are selected to act and be entitled to vote therein at the next election, and not hold any other public office or employment, notary public excepted, and shall not be candidates for any public office while acting as such inspectors of election. *The elected ward committeemen of each of the 3 dominant political parties as shown by the returns of the last preceding general election shall certify to the board of election commissioners a list containing the names of not less than 2 qualified voters for each such position in such ward and one of the persons whose names are so certified by the respective ward committeemen shall be appointed as inspectors by said board.*

(2) The said board shall also appoint at the same time 2 ballot clerks in each precinct who shall possess the same qualifications and serve under the same restrictions as the inspectors aforesaid, *except that the 2 ballot clerks so appointed shall be taken from the list of names as provided for in subsection (1).*

(5) Where a vacancy in the office of inspector or ballot clerk shall occur from any cause, said commissioners shall make an appointment to fill such vacancy, *from the list of names as provided for in subsection (1).*

(6) In each precinct not more than one of said inspectors, nor more than one of said ballot clerks, so nominated, shall be of the same political party, and such inspectors shall be chosen

from the 3 dominant political parties as shown by the returns of the last preceding general election in such precincts, and such ballot clerks shall be chosen from the 2 dominant *political* parties as shown by the returns of the last preceding general election in such precinct * * *.

(7) If any person holding the position of inspector or ballot clerk of election shall in the *opinion* or judgment of the board of election commissioners be found not to possess the qualifications prescribed in this section, or if any inspector or ballot clerk in the judgment of said board of election commissioners shall be guilty of neglecting the duties of his office, or of any official misconduct, then such inspector or ballot clerk shall be summarily removed from office by said board, and the vacancy immediately filled by the appointment of a person having qualifications required by law.

SECTION 2. Subsection (8) of section 10.04 of the statutes is created to read:

(10.04) (8) In case of the failure of the committeemen to furnish the list as provided in subsection (1) of section 10.04 on or before December 1, 1941, and on the same day biennially thereafter the board of election commissioners shall make said appointments.

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CHAPTER 166.

AN ACT to amend 16.17 (2) of the statutes, relating to the civil service status of employes engaged in the federal agencies. *The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Subsection (2) of section 16.17 of the statutes is amended to read:

(16.17) (2) The term of eligibility of applicants on original entrance and promotional lists shall be 6 months; but such term may be extended by the board after consideration of the recommendation of the director. The eligibility of individuals on reinstatement lists may be extended in like manner. But * * * *such* eligibility *may not* be extended for a period of