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CHAPTER 91.

AN ACT to amend 6.61 of the statutes, relating to the board of county canvassers.

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

Section 6.61 of the statutes is amended to read: SECTION 1. On the Tuesday next succeeding the election, or at any time sooner if all the returns are sooner received, the county clerk shall take to his assistance from among the followingnamed officers of the county, to wit, the county judge, register of deeds, * * * justices of the peace, or other reputable citizens and electors to be chosen from lists to be submitted for that purpose by the regular county or city committees of the 3 political parties which cast the largest vote in such district at the last preceding general election. Such list shall be submitted by the chairman from each ward to the city or county committee and shall bear the signature of the chairman and secretary of the city or county committee, 2 associate canvassers, one of whom shall not be of the same political party as such clerk, and who shall constitute with such clerk a board of county canvassers; and in case all the above-named officers should belong to the same political party, then said clerk shall select from the opposite political party some reputable citizen and elector to act as the third member of said board. In case of vacancy in the office of county clerk, or when from absence, sickness or other inability such clerk cannot perform the duties enjoined upon him, the clerk of the circuit court, or if there be no such clerk, or he be unable to perform such duties, then any of the * * * above-named officers or persons shall perform the duties required of the county clerk by this and the following sections, and be subject to the same punishment for violation thereof. No person shall be selected or shall serve as a member of the board of county canvassers who shall have been a candidate in the election for an office for which returns are to be canvassed by said board.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved May 7, 1941.