

CHAPTER 349

AN ACT to amend 6.66 (1) of the statutes, relating to election recount proceedings.

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

6.66 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.66 (1) Whenever any candidate, or any elector who voted upon any constitutional amendment or upon any proposition, voted for at any election, within 3 days after the last day of the meeting of the board of county canvassers, or * * * in the case of an annual, *regular*, special, or referendum election in any city, town or village, within 3 days after * * * *the last meeting of the city, town or village board of canvassers, as the case may be*, shall file with the county clerk or with the city, town or village clerk, as the case may be, a verified petition setting forth that he was a candidate for a specified office or that he voted upon any such constitutional amendment or proposition at said election, and that he is informed and believes that a mistake or fraud has been committed in specified precincts in the counting * * * *and* return of the votes cast for the office for which he was a candidate, or upon the matter voted upon, or specifying any other defect, irregularity or illegality in the conduct of said election, said * * * county, city, town or village *board of canvassers*, as the case may be, shall reconvene on the day following the filing of such petition and proceed to ascertain and determine the facts alleged in said petition and make correction accordingly and recount the ballots in every precinct * * * specified in accordance therewith. * * * *Notification of the intent to file such petition, in the case of a candidate for a specified office, shall first be sent by registered mail to each opposing candidate, addressed to the address specified on his nomination papers. Such petition * * *, together with the sender's receipt for each said registered letter, shall be filed with the said clerk, together with a fee of \$2 for each precinct in which a recount of the ballots is demanded in such petition. The petitioner and all opposing candidates or persons interested therein shall be entitled to be present in person and by counsel and observe the proceedings. County clerks shall immediately notify the secretary of state upon commencement of recount proceedings affecting candidates in districts comprised of more than one county.*

Approved July 10, 1957.
