

cent. of the total amount of premiums paid by such society in addition to the amount provided for by law, for each of the years 1887, and 1888.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
Approved April 14, 1887.

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CHAPTER 543.

AN ACT to amend section 23, of chapter 5, of the revised statutes, and relating to the registration of voters in cities having a population exceeding three thousand and not exceeding twenty thousand.

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

Amending section 23, R. S.—
changing time
for second
meeting of
inspectors of
elections.

SECTION 1. Section 23, of chapter 5, of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the words, "two weeks" where they occur in the second line of said section in the printed law, and insert in lieu thereof the words, "one week," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 23. The inspectors shall hold their second meeting at the same place designated for holding elections on the Tuesday one week preceding the election. They shall meet at nine o'clock in the forenoon. In election districts having less than three hundred voters, as shown by the preliminary registry, the board shall complete the registry on the same day; but if there are more than that number of voters, they shall sit for two days. They shall remain in session until eight o'clock in the evening. They shall revise and correct the registry; first, by erasing the name of any person who shall be proved to their satisfaction, by the oaths of two electors of the district, to be not entitled to vote therein at the next ensuing election, unless such person shall appear and if challenged, shall answer the questions, and take the oath hereinafter provided;

secondly, by entering thereon the name of every elector entitled to vote in the district at the next election, who shall appear before the board and require it, and state his place of residence, giving street and number, if numbered, or location, as herein before provided, and if challenged, answer the questions and take the oaths provided in case of a challenge, at an election; but if any such person shall refuse to answer all such questions or to take such oaths, his name shall not be registered. Any person who is not twenty-one years of age, before the date when the registry is required to be corrected, but will be if he lives until the day of election, shall have his name put on such registry if he be otherwise qualified to be an elector. Any elector who did not vote at the previous general election shall be entitled to be registered, either at the preliminary or final registration of electors by appearing before the board of registration of his election district and establishing his right to be registered, or instead of a personal appearance, he may make his application to be registered to the board in writing. Such application shall state the name and period of continuous residence in the election district and place of residence therein, giving the number and street, of the applicant, and in case the person making the application is of foreign birth, he shall state when he came to the United States and to the state of Wisconsin, and the time and place of declaring his intention to become a citizen of the United States and that he is entitled to vote at the election. Upon receiving such application the board of registration shall register the name of such applicant, if it appears to the board that the applicant is by his statement entitled to vote. Such statement shall be preserved by the board and be filed in the office of the village or city clerk as the case may be. All city and village clerks shall keep blanks for making the application for registration as provided by this section. The form shall be prescribed by the secretary of state. Every person named in this section shall be subject to the same punishment for any false statement or other offense in respect thereto, as is provided in case of such false statement or other offense by an elector offering to vote at an election. After such registry shall have been fully completed on the days

Application for
registration,
now made by
elector.

Form of, to be
prescribed by
secretary of
state.

No additional names to be added to registry after completion.

above mentioned, no name shall be added thereto by any person or upon any pretext. Within three days after the second meeting the said board shall cause four copies of the registry to be made, each of which shall be certified by them to be a correct registry of the electors of their district, one of which shall be kept by each inspector for use on election day and one shall be forthwith filed in the office of the proper town, city or village clerk. All registries shall at all times be open to the public inspection, at the offices where deposited without charge.

Vote of person not registered not to be received in city having less than 3,000 nor more than 20,000 inhabitants.

SECTION 2. No vote shall be received at any general election in any ward or election district in any city having by the last preceding census a population of not less than three thousand, and not exceeding twenty thousand if the name of the person offering to vote be not in the registry made at the second meeting of the inspectors of election for such ward or district, as provided in section 23, of the revised statutes, as amended by the preceding section, it being the meaning and intent of this section that hereafter the provisions of section 24, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 315, of the laws of 1880, allowing persons not registered to vote on certain conditions shall not apply to any such city as is above described.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
Approved April 14, 1887.