

while administering said office, shall have the powers of *the judge*, except as to trials of informations and appeals and except as to actions and proceedings beyond the jurisdiction of his own office. For his services, five dollars a day shall be deducted from the salary of *the judge* and paid to him, payment to be made at the same time and in the same manner as *the judge's* salary.

**How construed.** SECTION 35. Nothing in this act shall be construed as in any way affecting the right of jurisdiction of any court, judge, justice of the peace, or police justice, to hear, try, and determine any case now pending in such court, or before said judge, justice of the peace, or police justice, or which may be commenced before *the judge* shall enter upon the duties of his office.

**Police court, when abolished.** SECTION 36. When *the court* is open for business the police court of the city of Beloit shall be abolished.

SECTION 37. All acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 38. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 424.

AN ACT to amend sections 12 and 14 of chapter 451 of the laws of 1903, and section 49 of the statutes of 1898, as amended, relating to the time of opening and closing the polls and the pay of clerks and inspectors at elections and primaries.

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

**Time of opening and closing polls at primaries.** SECTION 1. Subdivision 2 of section 12 of chapter 451 of the laws of 1903, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

2.\* *The time of opening and closing the polls at primaries shall be the same as provided in section 49 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 72 of the laws of 1899 and chapter 404 of the laws of 1901, and any amendments now or hereafter made thereto.*

**Duration of session of inspectors.** SECTION 2. Subdivision 7 of section 14 of chapter 451 of the laws of 1903, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

7. The inspectors shall be in session for the purpose of registration from nine o'clock in the morning until eight o'clock in the evening, except that on the day of holding the primary they shall be in session *during the time the polls are required to be held open. The inspectors and clerks shall receive the same compensation as provided in section 94h of the statutes of 1898, and any amendment now or hereafter made thereto.*

**Opening and closing of polls at elections.** SECTION 3. Section 49 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 72 of the laws of 1899 and chapter 404 of the laws of 1901, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 49. The polls of every election in every city of five thousand inhabitants or over, shall be opened at six o'clock in the morning and closed at seven 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 *five o'clock in the afternoon*; provided that the common council of any city containing less than five thousand inhabitants, the town board of any town or the board of trustees of any village, may by resolution adopted and published in some newspaper in such 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 *day of election*, fix an earlier hour for the opening of the polls in such city, town or village, not earlier than *six o'clock in the forenoon*; *and that cities of less than five thousand inhabitants and . . . towns and villages in counties of not less than two hundred thousand inhabitants may, by . . . resolution in like manner, fix the time for opening the polls not earlier than six o'clock in the forenoon, and for closing*

\*Entire subdivision is rewritten.

not later than seven o'clock in the evening. Inspectors of election shall cause public proclamation to be made of the opening and closing of the polls.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 425.

AN ACT to amend chapter 180, laws of 1905, relating to the oath and bond of the commissioner of insurance and the payment of premium where surety bond is given.

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

**Insurance commissioner, oath and bond of.** SECTION 1. Section 1967 of the statutes of 1898 as amended by chapter 180, laws of 1905, is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 1967. Before entering upon the duties of his office the commissioner of insurance shall take and subscribe to an oath of office, to be filed with the secretary of state, and execute a bond to the state of Wisconsin in the penal sum of one hundred thousand dollars, with six or more good and sufficient sureties or a surety company, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, which bond, when approved by the governor, shall be deposited with the state treasurer, and in event that the commissioner of insurance elects to give a surety bond as provided herein, the cost of the same shall be borne by the state providing the same does not exceed one fourth of one per cent. per annum on the amount of said bond. Said commissioner shall have an official seal, and shall conduct or cause to be conducted all examinations of the affairs of insurance corporations that are or may be required by law; and generally shall exercise such supervision and control over insurance companies doing business in this state as the law may require. He shall hold his office in the capitol and be provided with postage, stationery, printing