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CHAPTER I.

AN ACT to reenact and amend Section 11.90 of the statutes, relating to adjustments in the election laws to facilitate voting by Wisconsin electors serving in the armed forces of the United States at the April election of 1945 and the primary election preceding it, and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Except as herein modified section 11.90 of the statutes (created by chapter 567, laws of 1943) is reenacted.

SECTION 2. The section heading of section 11.90 of the statutes is changed to read:

“ELECTORS IN ARMED FORCES; ADJUSTMENTS IN LAWS TO FACILITATE VOTING IN 1945 PRIMARY AND APRIL ELECTIONS.”

SECTION 3. 11.90 (2) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.90 (2) APPLICATION OF SECTION. This section applies only to citizens of this state who are absent from their respective voting residences because of service in the armed forces of the United States and applies only to the election held on the first Tuesday in April 1945 and the primary election preceding such election.

SECTION 4. 11.90 (4) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.90 (4) LOCAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS IN ARMED FORCES. The clerk of each city, village and town shall from the information furnished him compile and maintain an up-to-date list or register of electors therein who are serving in the armed forces. Such register shall contain the name of the elector and his latest-known residence and mail addresses. It shall include all such electors who will become 21 years of age on or before April 3, 1945, with a notation as to any who will reach that age after March 13, 1945, but on or prior to April 3, 1945. The clerk shall make a diligent effort to make such register complete and up to date at all times and to that end he may request the assistance

of the local draft board, newspapers, and the citizens generally. He may publish appropriate advertisements in any one or more newspapers having circulation in the municipality requesting parents, wives or husbands, relatives and friends of such absent members of the armed forces to furnish their names and latest addresses. Such clerk shall exercise reasonable care to avoid duplication of names and to avoid including any person who is for any reason not qualified to vote at such election. He shall distribute to each polling place in his municipality a copy of such register for each respective voting district for use on election day.

SECTION 5. 11.90 (7) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.90 (7) BALLOTING INSTRUCTIONS ENCLOSED. An explanatory note shall be enclosed with each ballot giving instructions as to the marking of the ballot and the return thereof, and any other pertinent information. The form of such explanatory note shall be prepared by the local clerk.

SECTION 6. 11.90 (10) of the statutes is amended by striking out the word "general" preceding the word "election" at the end of the second sentence.

SECTION 7. 11.90 (11) and (12) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 8. 11.90 (13) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.90 (13) APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from the general fund to the secretary of state \$300 for the execution of his functions under this section, including the printing and distribution of such information as the secretary of state deems advisable.

SECTION 9. 11.90 (14) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.90 (14) EXPIRATION OF SECTION. This section shall expire after the completion of the election on April 3, 1945.

Approved January 26, 1945.