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CHAPTER 567.

AN ACT to amend 6.32 (4) (a) and 10.04 (1) of the statutes, relating to choosing election inspectors and clerks.

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

SECTION 1. 6.32 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.32 (4) (a) The mayor of every city, except cities having * * * 500,000 or more inhabitants, shall nominate to the common council thereof, and the president of every village shall nominate to the village board of trustees thereof, and the chairman of every town shall nominate to the town board at the first regular meeting of such council and of such village or town board in February of each year in which a general election is to be held, and if no such meeting is held, then at a special meeting, which he shall call for such purpose on the last Tuesday of said month, 3 persons for inspectors of election, 2 for clerks of election, and 2 for ballot clerks, in each election district therein. *In such cities, villages and towns in counties having a population of more than 500,000, such appointments shall be made in February of each odd-numbered year.*

SECTION 2. 10.04 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

10.04 (1) Such board of election commissioners shall, during the month of January * * * of odd-numbered years appoint 3 qualified voters as inspectors of election for each precinct in said cities. They shall be citizens of the United States; shall be of good repute and character; able to read and write the English language; be of good understanding and capable. They must reside in the ward for which they are selected to act and be entitled to vote therein at the next election, and not hold any other public office or employment, notary public excepted, and shall not be candidates for any public office while acting as such inspectors of election. The elected ward committeemen of each of the 3 dominant political parties as shown by the returns of the last preceding general election shall certify to the board of election commissioners a *composite* list containing the names of not less than 4 * * * times as many names of voters as there are voting precincts in the ward designating one-fourth each of the names as their first choices and alternates for inspectors and ballot clerks, and the election commissioners shall appoint in order of their appearance on the list a number of inspectors and ballot clerks equal to the number of precincts, taking the names in order from the list of first choices, unless such appointees are unable to serve in which case alternates may be chosen from the proper lists of alternates. *If the committeeman neglects to submit such list at the date fixed therefor, the commissioners shall then make the appointments.*

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