

shall provide a separate ballot box for the ballots cast upon any such proposition.

SECTION 3. All acts and parts of acts, in conflict with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

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

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## CHAPTER 339.

AN ACT to require the Australian system of elections in towns having an incorporated city or village which operates jointly with the towns in town elections.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter five of Wisconsin statutes of 1898, shall hereafter apply to all elections of town officers in towns having an incorporated city or village which operates jointly with the town in such elections, so far as the provisions of such chapter may be applicable, and except as modified for such town elections by the provisions of this act.

System of election of town officers.

SECTION 2. Nothing in this act shall prevent the nomination of, and the placing upon the official ballot of, the regular nominees of any non-partisan or general caucus of the voters of the town where such caucus has been regularly called by an authorized town committee appointed at a regularly called caucus of the preceding year, provided that at least ten per cent.

Nomination of candidates

of the electors of such town participate in such caucus.

Caucus defined.

SECTION 3. The term caucus, as used in this act, shall be understood to be an authorized assemblage of voters making nominations for town offices in the same manner as has heretofore prevailed.

Certificate of nomination.

SECTION 4. Certificates of nomination and filing of individual nominations, shall be filed with the county clerk, not more than fifteen nor less than seven days before such election.

Nominations to be published.

SECTION 5. At least three days before the election, the county clerk shall cause to be published the nominations for town offices [officers] certified to or filed with him, in one weekly newspaper published at the county seat if there be a paper there published, and if not then in some other newspaper in the county; the county clerk shall also cause to be published, the nominations for any town other than the county seat in a newspaper published in such town if there be one.

Election, when may be suspended.

SECTION 6. The inspectors and officers of election may suspend the election at and for such limited times during election day, as may be necessary to transact such business, other than election of town officers, as is now authorized by law.

SECTION 7. All provisions of law in conflict with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

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