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CHAPTER 429

AN ACT to amend 5.19 (6), 5.23, 5.27 (2), 5.29 (3), 6.17 (1), 6.185 (4) (c), 10.15 (1) (a) and 40.27 (4) of the statutes, relating to correcting certain election matters.

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

SECTION 1. 5.19 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.19 (6) Such nomination papers shall be filed as follows: For candidates to be voted for throughout the state or any division or district

embracing more than one county, in the office of the secretary of state and for candidates to be voted for wholly within one county, in the office of the county clerk. Such nomination papers shall be filed not later than 5 p.m. * * * on the second Tuesday after the primary.

SECTION 2. 5.23 of the statutes is amended to read:

5.23 Nomination papers for offices to be filled at the spring election shall be filed not later than 5 p.m. on the last Tuesday in January. They shall conform to the requirements for nomination papers for independent candidates for the general election, except that the number of signers required is as follows: For state offices, 2,000 electors; for offices in districts less than the state, and county offices (except, in both cases, judicial offices), not less than 3 per cent nor more than 10 per cent of the number of electors voting for governor *in the district or county* at the last preceding general election; for judicial offices, not less than 2 per cent nor more than 10 per cent of such number, except that the number of signers required for judicial candidates in counties having a population of 500,000 or more shall not be less than 3,000 nor more than 5,000; for city offices, not less than one per cent nor more than 10 per cent of the number of electors who voted for the candidate who received the highest number of votes for such office in the last preceding election, but not less than 100 signers in the case of any office to be voted for throughout the city except in cities of the fourth class where the minimum shall be 20; except that the number of signers required for nomination papers for the offices of alderman in cities of the first class and county supervisors in counties having a population of 500,000 or more shall not be less than 200 nor more than 600 for such offices to be filled at the spring election next succeeding a readjusting and changing of boundaries of wards pursuant to s. 4.04 (1m) or any readjustment of assembly districts due to reapportionment. Each candidate shall file with his nomination papers a declaration that he will qualify as such officer if elected. All signers on one sheet for a candidate elected by voters of more than one county shall reside in the same county.

SECTION 3. 5.27 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.27 (2) A candidate may be nominated by nomination papers signed by electors of a town or village equal in number to 3 per cent and not more than 10 per cent of all the votes cast in such town or village for all candidates for governor at the last preceding general election. Such nomination papers shall conform to s. * * * 5.19 and shall be filed in the office of the town or village clerk *not later than 5 p.m.*, at least 18 days before the election.

SECTION 4. 5.29 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.29 (3) Nomination papers shall be filed not later than 5 p.m., at least 18 days before the day of the primary.

SECTION 5. 6.17 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.17 (1) The clerk of the municipality shall receive applications for registration at his office during regular office hours throughout the year, and at such other places and at such times as he * * * *deems* advisable, except that registration for any election or primary shall be closed at 5 p.m. * * * on the second Wednesday next preceding the election or primary. At the first primary election conducted after September 1, 1927, any qualified voter shall be permitted to register at the polls on the day of election and vote at such election. Such registration shall be conducted by the regular election officers, or in the discretion of the city council, by a special registration deputy appointed by the city clerk for each precinct.

SECTION 6. 6.185 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.185 (4) (c) Except as otherwise provided herein, the clerk of the municipality shall receive applications for registration at his office during regular office hours throughout the year, and at such other places and at such times as he * * * *deems* advisable, except that registration for any election or primary shall be closed at 5 p.m. * * * on the second Wednesday next preceding the election or primary.

SECTION 7. 10.15 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

10.15 (1) (a) The board of election commissioners shall revise and correct, prior to each primary and election, the registry as prepared by them; first, by striking therefrom the name of any person who * * * *has* died or removed from the precinct where he is registered, or any voter who has adopted a new name, or who * * * *is* proved, by the oath of 2 electors of the district, to be not entitled to vote in such precinct at the next ensuing election or primary election, unless such person after being notified by the board * * * *appears and makes* affidavit stating his name and the period of his continuous residence in the election district, and that he resides in such precinct, giving the number and the street of the affiant; and in case he is of foreign birth stating when he came to the United States and to this state, and the time and place when he became a citizen of the United States, and that he is entitled to vote at the election; second, by entering on the proper list for any precinct the name of every elector entitled to vote in that precinct at the next election or primary, who * * * *files* a registration card such as is hereinbefore provided for, properly filed in and sworn to before said secretary, or such other party or parties duly authorized by said board at the office of the board or at such temporary offices thereof as the board * * * *designates*, with the approval of the common council. In every case of a name stricken from the registry, the reason therefor shall be stated in writing on the list opposite the name so stricken. Not later than 5 p.m. * * * on the second Wednesday next preceding a primary or an election, applications for corrections of said registry lists, or for adding thereto the names of voters, may be made at the office of the board of election commissioners, or at such temporary offices thereof as may be designated by the board, during the hours such offices * * * *are* open for business. The board shall certify to the election inspectors in the proper precincts the names of all voters duly registered. All applications for registration made to said board shall be submitted by them to the chief of police for verification of the statements contained therein, and the police department shall also report to the board the names of such registered voters * * * *that* have died or removed from the precinct.

SECTION 8. 40.27 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

40.27 (4) The board may establish such additional polling places for the election of board members as it deems necessary. Whenever practical, such polling places shall be established in the building where the annual school meeting is held. The board shall provide for an official ballot for the election of board members upon which shall be printed only the name of each person who files with the district clerk, a written declaration of his candidacy *not later than 5 p.m.*, at least 20 days prior to the date of such election. The school board shall cause notice to be published at least 10 days previous to the closing date for filing such declarations stating clearly the conditions which must be met for filing. Election ballots shall be arranged to permit names to be written in. The clerk shall have the ballots prepared. *The order in which the names of candidates are to be printed on such ballot shall be determined by drawing lots at 2 p.m. on the day following the last day for filing written declarations of candidacy, by or under the supervision of the officer with whom such declarations are filed.*

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