

and the Imperial and Royal Austro-Hungarian Government, all moneys so paid shall be used and are hereby appropriated and set aside for the sole purpose of redeeming any and all bonds issued under the provisions of this act until all of said bonds have been redeemed.

SECTION 10. All bonds issued under the provisions of this act and the income therefrom shall be exempt from taxation.

SECTION 11. The faith and credit of the state of Wisconsin are hereby pledged for the payment of the principal and interest of all bonds which may be issued under the provisions of this act.

SECTION 12. The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be within the purview of section 7 of Article VIII of the Constitution of this state and necessary to repel invasion, suppress insurrection and defend the state in time of war.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 13

AN ACT to amend sections 11.69, 11.70, 11.71, 11.73, 11.74, 11.75, 11.76, 11.77 and 11.82 of the statutes, relating to permitting electors absent on account of military service to vote at general and certain special elections.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 11.69, 11.70, 11.71, 11.73, 11.74, 11.75, 11.76, 11.77 and 11.82 of the statutes are amended to read: 11.69 (1) Whenever * * * *two hundred or more qualified electors of this state in the military service of the United States are stationed at any camp, army post, station or cantonment without this state but within some other state of the United States or the District of Columbia, or whenever any military organization or organizations in which there are in the aggregate nine hundred or more qualified electors of this state, is or are stationed at any camp, army post or cantonment in any foreign country and the federal government or any department thereof has given consent or authority for the holding of any election provided for by sections 11.69 to 11.82, or whenever any company of the Wisconsin national guard, or any temporary military force provided for by section 21.02 of the statutes, in which are qualified electors of this state, is stationed at any camp, army*

*post, station or cantonment within this state, and on that account such electors are absent from their places of residence on the day prescribed by law for holding a general election, or for holding a special election to fill any vacancy in any office required to be filled in the first instance at a general election, each such elector, and each special messenger provided for in section 11.70, may, on such day, * * * exercise his right of suffrage as provided in sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, and with like effect as if present at his usual place of residence.*

(2) *Whenever * * * two hundred or more qualified electors of this state in the military service of the United States are stationed at any camp, army post, station or cantonment without this state but within some other state of the United States or the District of Columbia, or whenever any military organization or organizations in which there are in the aggregate nine hundred or more qualified electors of this state, is or are stationed at any camp, army post or cantonment in any foreign country and the federal government or any department thereof has given consent or authority for the holding of any election provided for by sections 11.69 to 11.82, or whenever any company of the Wisconsin national guard, or any temporary military force provided for by section 21.02 of the statutes, is stationed at any camp, army post, station or cantonment within this state twenty-five days prior to the day prescribed by law for holding any such election the adjutant general shall certify such fact to the secretary of state.*

11.70 *The secretary of state, not less than ten days before any election held under sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, shall designate one or more employes in his department, or, if there are not sufficient employes in his department available for that purpose, he shall appoint one or more other persons, as special messengers to provide and make arrangements for elections and to act as election supervisors at such place or places * * * as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, and to personally deliver to the secretary of state at his office the ballots cast at such elections and such other certificates, documents and papers as are required to be enclosed, sealed and returned therewith; but no more than one messenger shall be designated for any such election when all such * * * electors are so grouped that one messenger may perform the duties imposed by sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive. Any such special messenger so designated is endowed with all powers conferred by law upon election inspectors, including the power to appoint all necessary assistants, administer oaths, and*

may perform any duties imposed by law upon such inspectors. Each such messenger shall be reimbursed for his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of his official duties, *and in the event such messenger is not an employe in the department of the secretary of state he shall receive as compensation for his services as such special messenger not to exceed five dollars per day for the time actually spent in the discharge of his duties as such special messenger. Such special messenger shall not be subject to the provisions of chapter 16 of the statutes.*

11.71 The adjutant general, not less than twenty days prior to the day upon which any election is to be held under sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, shall furnish the secretary of state with a * * * roster *as complete as possible* of all * * * electors mentioned in section 11.69 (1), giving the full name of each, his residence address, age, * * * and, *when possible*, the organization in which he is enlisted *and its location*. From such roster the secretary of state shall so far as practicable, and by such means as he deems expedient, proceed to prepare, by companies, *or otherwise*, alphabetical lists of such electors * * *

11.73 (1) For elections held under the provisions of sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, the secretary of state shall provide not less than ten days before the day prescribed by law for holding such election the following:

(a) Official ballots in the general form of the Australian ballot prescribed by law. In the case of a general election at which presidential electors are required to be voted for, an official presidential ballot *substantially in the form annexed to * * * section 6.23 and marked "C,"* except that the form on the back thereof shall be substantially the same as the form herein prescribed to be printed on the back of the official ballot for other officers to be voted for at such election. In addition to the official presidential ballot, an official ballot for all other offices to be filled at such general election, which ballots shall be in substantially the form of the official ballot annexed to section 6.23 and marked "A," except that in the portion of the ballot below the horizontal column designated "United States Senator" the names of the candidates for the respective offices shall be left blank so that the electors may write, stamp or paste therein the names of the persons for whom they wish to vote, and, except further, that the form on the back of such official ballot, above the blanks for the signatures of the ballot clerks, shall be substantially as follows:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

In the Field

Headquarters of * * * _____
(designation of military unit)

* * * Election held this _____ day of _____
 A. D. 19____

Otherwise such form on the back of the ballot shall be substantially the same as the form provided on the back of the ballot attached to section 6.23 and marked "A."

(b) Envelopes of a reasonably substantial character, and of sufficient size to receive and enclose when folded, the ballot cast by any elector, and shall cause to be printed on the front or address side thereof a form of affidavit substantially as follows:

State of _____ }
 County of _____ } ss

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I am a resident of the _____ precinct of the (town or village of _____, the _____ ward of the city of _____), and resided in said precinct of said (town or village, _____ ward of said city at No. _____, _____ Street), _____ county for at least ten days, and in the state of Wisconsin for at least one year next prior to this day, and am otherwise entitled to vote in said (precinct or ward) at the election held on this day.

Signed _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 19____, and I hereby certify that the affiant's statement accords with the muster-in roll or records of * * * _____, of which he is a member.
(designation of military unit)

 Inspector of Election.

(c) Certified lists of the names of all candidates for the different offices in the several congressional, senatorial and assembly districts and counties in the state designated on the official ballot below the horizontal column designated "United States Senator," which lists shall be so printed that the elector may readily determine the names of the candidates for the respective offices.

(d) Poll lists, blank forms of oaths for election officers as prescribed by section 6.34, such other forms and material for the use of election officers as may be necessary, and such material as he deems necessary for the use and information of electors.

(2) The secretary of state shall deliver all such material to the messenger, and take and file his receipt therefor, not less than five days prior to the election at which such material is to be used, and in any event, in ample time for use at such election. Twice as many ballots of each kind required to be voted at such election as there are electors to vote thereat, and a like number of envelopes and * * * a sufficient number of certified lists of candidates shall be delivered.

11.74 (1) *In all elections held pursuant to sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, on the day such election is held in this state polls of election shall be open for each company, troop or command in which there are ten or more electors mentioned in section 11.69 (1), at such place or places as the commanding officer of the department or division shall specify and all such electors in such company, troop or command may vote at such poll; and all such electors who are attached to or form a part of a company, troop or command having less than ten such electors, or who are absent and detached therefrom by military orders, and all regimental and battalion staff officers, division and brigade staff officers, chaplains, and attached sanitary troops, and the messengers provided for by section 11.70 may vote at such poll as may be most convenient for them.*

* * * (2) * * * *At the time and place herein provided for the opening of the polls the qualified electors of this state then present shall select three of their number as inspectors of election, two of their number as clerks of election and two of their number as ballot clerks. Prior to receiving any votes the said inspectors, clerks of election and ballot clerks shall severally take and subscribe an oath or affirmation as prescribed by section * * * 6.34, and such oaths shall be enclosed with the ballots cast at and other returns of such election. Any captain or other commanding officer at whose quarters any election is held pursuant to sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, is hereby authorized to administer the oaths provided for by this section.*

* * * 11:75 The polls * * * shall be opened as early as practicable on election day and shall remain open at least six hours, and if necessary in the opinion of the messenger in order to receive the votes of all electors, said polls may be kept open until seven o'clock in the afternoon of said day. A proclamation

of the time for opening and closing the polls shall be made by the election inspectors at or before the opening of the polls in each polling place and one hour before closing the same.

11.76 On or before election day, prior to the opening of the polls, the messenger shall furnish to the inspectors of election of each * * * polling place twice as many official ballots of each kind required at such elections as there are electors in such company, and a like number of envelopes and a *sufficient number* of certified lists of candidates, and shall take the receipt of the inspectors therefor, and shall deliver also all necessary blanks. Such receipts shall be included in the official returns.

11.77 Each elector applying to vote shall be furnished the necessary ballots, an envelope for enclosing the same, and, *upon request*, a copy of the certified list of candidates, and, after marking his ballots, shall fold the same and enclose them in the envelope, and shall seal the envelope and carefully fill out the affidavit thereon, and shall thereupon deliver the envelope to one of the inspectors who shall sign the acknowledgment and certificate thereon and deposit the envelope in the ballot box. In the case of a general election the elector shall write, stamp or paste in the appropriate spaces on the official ballots the names of the persons for whom he desires to vote for the offices designated below the horizontal column designated "United States Senator." Otherwise, voting at any election held under sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, shall be conducted as far as practicable in the manner prescribed by law for elections within this state, due regard being given to the secrecy of the ballot and to the prevention and detection of illegal voting.

11.82 Except insofar as inconsistent with the provisions and purposes and intent of sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive, the laws of this state relating to general and special elections, including those prescribing penalties for the violation thereof and those relating to election officers, shall apply to such elections held under sections 11.69 to 11.82, inclusive. Any offense hereunder committed beyond the borders of this state shall be prosecuted in this state in the county wherein the offender resides. * * *

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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