

ing a certificate, duly signed, certified and sworn to, as required in case of original certificates, setting * * * forth the cause of the vacancy, name of new nominee, office for which nominated, and such other information as is required in case of original certificates. This certificate must be filed * * * six days before election * * * in case of town, village or city offices, * * * and eight days in other cases, and when so filed shall have the effect of an original certificate. *In case the candidate is a nonpartisan nominee, the vacancy shall be filled by the personal campaign committee of the candidate, who shall make and file a certificate in the manner above prescribed. If the candidate had no personal campaign committee, such vacancy shall be filled by the supervisors of the town, trustees of the village, council of the city, or board of supervisors of the county, as the case may be, and such board shall make and file a certificate as herein provided.* If such declination, death or the permanent removal of a nominee take place after the ballots are printed and before election, the proper chairman of the * * * committee above authorized to fill vacancies may make a nomination to fill the vacancy and provide the election boards with pasters containing the name of such nominee only, which shall be pasted upon each of the official ballots by the ballot clerks, before signing their initials thereon and delivering them to voters. If the nominee die after the ballots are printed, and no nomination shall be made as herein provided, the votes cast for him shall be counted and returned, and if he shall receive a plurality the vacancy shall be filled as in case of vacancies occurring by death after election.

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

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CHAPTER 176.

AN ACT to amend subsections 1 and 2 of section 16 of the statutes, relating to size of election districts.

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

SECTION 1 Subsections 1 and 2 of section 16 of the statutes are amended to read: (Section 16) 1. Election districts as established may be divided into two or more districts in towns when the supervisors shall deem it for the convenience of the voters, and shall be divided when fifty or more electors thereof

shall petition the board in writing therefor; and such division shall be made in wards, villages or towns when it shall appear that six hundred or more votes were cast in any such district therein at any election, *except that in cities of the first class, such division shall not be mandatory unless it shall appear that eight hundred or more votes were cast in any such district therein at any election*; provided, however, that no division shall be made in any town containing less than fifty sections of land unless it shall appear that four hundred or more votes were cast in such town at the last preceding general election.

2. Such division shall be made at least four months prior to the next succeeding general election and shall be so made that the districts shall be composed of compact, contiguous territory, no one of which shall contain over five hundred voters, *except that in cities of the first class such districts may contain eight hundred registered voters*. The order or resolution making such division shall be filed with the proper city, village or town clerk, who shall within five days after such filing transmit a copy thereof to the county clerk, and in towns and villages the clerks thereof shall post copies of such order or resolution in five public places therein.

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

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CHAPTER 177.

AN ACT to amend section 4581i of the statutes, relating to responsibility for the neglect, dependence and delinquency of children.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4581i of the statutes is amended to read: Section 4581i. In all cases where any child shall be a *dependent, neglected or delinquent* child, as defined by the statutes of this state, the parent or parents, legal guardian, or person having the custody of such child, or any other person, responsible for * * * *such child being dependent, neglected or delinquent*, through wilful neglect or by any wilful act encouraging, causing or contributing to the *dependency, neglect or delinquency* of such child, *whether said child has or has not previously been dependent, neglected or delinquent*, shall be guilty