

officers shall be printed and furnished to the inspectors of election in the several wards in sufficient quantities to supply the electors. *When officers are elected pursuant to section 40.52 (1) (a), they may be placed upon the same ballot as other city officers.*

SECTION 3. 11.07 of the statutes is repealed.

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CHAPTER 233.

AN ACT to amend 11.57, 11.58, 11.61 and 11.62; and to repeal and recreate 11.56 of the statutes, relating to absentee voting. *The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 11.56 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.56 APPLICATION, HOW MADE. Application for such ballot shall be made in person or in writing to such clerk.

SECTION 2. 11.58 of the statutes is amended to read:

11.58 Such clerk shall inclose such ballot or ballots in an envelope unsealed to be furnished by him, which envelope shall bear upon the face thereof the name, official title and post-office address of such clerk, and upon the other side a printed affidavit in substantially the following form:

STATE OF..... }
County of..... } ss.

I,, do solemnly swear that I am a resident of the precinct of the (town) (village) of or of the ward in the city of....., residing at in said city, and the county of and state of Wisconsin, and am entitled to vote in such precinct at the election to be held on That I cannot appear at the polling place in said precinct on the day of said election *because (indicate one of the following reasons) I expect to be absent from the city, town or village* *or because of sickness* *or physical disability* *or religious reasons* . I further swear that I marked the inclosed ballot in secret.

Signed.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of, A. D.,, and I hereby certify that the affiant exhibited the inclosed ballot to me unmarked; that he then in my presence and in the presence of no other person, and in such manner that I could not see his vote, marked such ballot and inclosed and sealed the same in this envelope; that the affiant was not solicited or advised by me to vote for or against any candidate or measure.

SECTION 2a. 11.57 of the statutes is amended to read:

11.57 Upon receipt of such * * * *request* not more than 12 nor less than 3 days prior to such election, such clerk, or his deputy or deputies shall write on the back and outside of the official ballot in the space for the official indorsement of the ballot clerks, his initials or name and his official title and shall mail to the applicant, postage prepaid, said official ballot or ballots if more than one are to be voted at said election, or such officer shall deliver said ballot or ballots to the applicant personally at the office of the clerk, not more than 10 nor less than one secular day before said election. Any such ballot not mailed or delivered personally as herein stated shall not be counted.

SECTION 3. 11.61 of the statutes is amended to read:

11.61 In case an absent or sick or disabled voter's ballot is received by the county, city, village or town clerk, as the case may be, prior to the delivery of the official ballots to the inspectors of election of the precinct in which said elector resides, such ballot envelope * * * , sealed in the carrier envelope, shall be inclosed in such package and therewith delivered to the inspectors of election of such precinct. In case the official ballots for such precinct have been delivered to the inspectors of election at the time of the receipt by the county, city, village or town clerk of such absent or sick or disabled voter's ballot, such official shall immediately inclose said envelope containing such voter's ballot, * * * in a larger or carrier envelope which shall be securely sealed and indorsed on the face to the inspectors of election, giving the name or number of precinct, street and number of the polling place, city, village or town in which such voter is a qualified elector and the words "this envelope contains an absent or sick or disabled voter's ballot and must

be opened only on election day at the polls while the polls are open," mailing the same, postage prepaid, to such inspectors of election or, if more convenient, such county, city, village or town clerk may deliver such voter's ballot to the inspectors of election in person or by duly deputized agent. Such clerk or agent shall secure his receipt for delivery of such ballot or ballots. Provided that such delivery of ballots by person shall be made without expense to the county, city, village or town, as the case may be.

SECTION 4. 11.62 of the statutes is amended to read:

11.62 At any time between the opening and closing of the polls on such election day the inspectors of election of said precinct shall open the outer or carrier envelope only, *and* announce the absent or sick or disabled voter's name * * *. In case the inspectors find the affidavit * * * executed, * * * that the applicant is a duly qualified elector of the precinct and that the applicant has not voted in person at said election, they shall open the envelope containing such voter's ballot in such manner as not to deface or destroy the affidavit thereon and take out the ballot or ballots therein contained without unfolding or permitting the same to be unfolded or examined and, after verification that the ballot has been indorsed by the issuing county, town, city or village clerk, deposit the same in the proper ballot box or boxes and enter the absent or sick or disabled voter's name in the poll book, the same as if he had been present and voted in person. In case such affidavit is found to be insufficient, * * * or that the applicant is not a duly qualified elector in such precinct, or that the ballot is open, or has been opened and resealed, or that the ballot envelope contains more than one ballot of any one kind, or if at a primary the unused portion of the ballot shall not be returned, such vote shall not be accepted or counted. Every ballot not counted shall be indorsed on the back thereof "rejected" (giving reason therefor). All rejected ballots shall be inclosed and securely sealed in an envelope on which the inspectors shall indorse "defective ballots" with a statement of the precinct in which and the date of the election at which they were cast, signed by the inspectors and returned to the same officer and in the same manner as by law provided for the return and preservation of official ballots voted at such election.

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