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Chapter 310.

An Act in relation to Political Caucuses in cities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Sect. I. The city committees of any political party are hereby authorized to fix the time and place of and call all ward and general caucuses of their respective parties; provided, however, that such call shall be by public notice posted in conspicuous places in each ward of the city where such caucus is to be held, at least six days before the time of holding such caucus.

Political caucuses in cities, how called.

-notice, how given.

Sect. 2. The board of registration in cities shall, at the request of said committees in their respective cities, furnish them with a certified copy of the correct lists of voters, by wards, used in their said cities at the election next preceding any caucus called under the provisions of this act, the expense of furnishing such copy to be paid as other expenses of boards of registration are now paid.

Committees shall be furnished with lists of voters by board of registration.

-expense, how paid.

Sect. 3. Whenever fifty or more voters of the same political party shall, in writing, request the city committee of the party to which they belong to use said voting lists as check lists in any caucus of their party called, or about to be called, then said voting lists shall be so used to determine the right to vote of any person claiming that right, and no person shall vote in the caucus in which such voting lists are used as check lists, unless his name shall appear upon said lists; but said yoting lists may be used as check lists in caucuses when no such request of fifty voters has been made; provided, however, that no person shall be deprived of the right to vote in a caucus of his own party who shall have gained the right to vote in the election then next ensuing, by having reached the age of majority, or by having gained the right to vote in such election by residence subsequent to the time when the lists of voters referred to in section two of this act shall have been

Check list shall be used in caucus upon request of fifty voters.

-who may vote in caucus.

Sect. 4. No person shall vote in any caucus called by a committee of a party of which he is not a member. Whoever shall violate the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be subject to a penalty of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars, to be

made.

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-penalty.

recovered as other fines and penalties for misdemeanors are now recovered.

Committee may designate in call, when polls shall open and close.

Sect. 5. In any call for a caucus as provided for by this act, the committee calling the same may designate, in the call, the time when the polls for receiving votes shall be open and, allowing in all cases, a reasonable length of time for said polls to remain open, may further designate in such call the time when said polls shall be closed, and the time of closing said polls, when so designated, shall not by any vote of those taking part in such caucus be made earlier than the time designated in the call, but the time of closing said polls may be extended a reasonable time by vote of the legal voters present when such vote is taken.

How act shall apply.

Sect. 6. This act shall not apply to cities of more than twenty-five thousand inhabitants.

Approved March 26, 1897.

Chapter 311.

An Act to prevent the use of Diseased Meat for food purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Duty of all persons charged with the killing of diseased, domestic animals to treat carcass by injection with kerosene oil.

Sect. I. It shall be the duty of the cattle commissioners and of all other persons having in charge the killing of any diseased cattle, sheep or any other diseased domestic animals, as soon as such animal is killed to inject, or cause to be injected into the carotid artery of each animal so killed, kerosene oil in sufficient quantity to thoroughly penetrate and permeate the entire fleshy part of the carcass of each such animal killed as aforesaid.

Such carcasses shall be buried or made into fertilizers. Sect. 2. Every carcass treated as provided in section one of this act, shall, within twenty-four hours thereafter be buried to a depth of at least four feet, or within forty-eight hours thereafter be reduced by the process of manufacturing the same for fertilizers.

Punishment of violation.

Sect. 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offense or imprisoned for a period not exceeding ninety days, or both.

Approved March 26, 1897.