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evidence as to his qualifications as may be required by the secretary of state.

'Section 20. Except as otherwise provided herein no automobile or motor vehicle after the first day of June, nineteen hundred five, shall be operated upon any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway, unless registered as heretofore provided, and no person shall on or after the first day of June in the year nineteen hundred five, operate an automobile or motor vehicle upon any highway, townway, public street, avenue, driveway, park or parkway, unless licensed to do so under the provisions of this act.

Unlicensed automobiles shall not be operated after June 1, 1905.

'Section 21. Automobiles or motor vehicles owned by non-residents of this state and driven by a person licensed in this or in some other state may be operated on the roads and highways of this state unless prohibited by special law or town ordinance duly authorized by the legislature, subject, however, to the provisions of sections seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, and twelve, and provided that such person shall show in front and at the back of his automobile and at the back of his motor cycle the registration number granted him in such other state, and the name of the other state in Arabic letters at least one inch high. The provisions of this and the preceding sections shall not prevent the operating of automobiles by unlicensed persons if riding with or accompanied by a licensed operator.

Provisions for operating automobiles owned by non-residents.

'Section 22. Whoever violates any provision of the five preceding sections shall be punished by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding ten days.'

Penalty for violation of the five preceding sections.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 24, 1905.

Chapter 148.

An Act to amend Section twenty-two of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the regulation and conduct of Elections.

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

Section 1. Section twenty-two of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "or" in the third line between the words "shelves" and "compartments," and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'and' and by inserting after the word "others" in the fifth line of said section the following: 'and each voting shelf and compartment shall have a

Section 22, chapter 6, R. S., amended.

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wooden swing door so arranged that the top thereof shall be not less than six feet from the floor and the bottom of the door shall be at least two feet and six inches from the floor. And such door shall be shut while the voter is within the compartment and no one shall be allowed therein with him unless he calls for assistance in the marking of his ballot and such assistance shall be so furnished according to the provisions of this act.' And by striking out the word "or" in the eighth line between the words "shelves" and "compartments" and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'and,' and by striking out the words "the arrangement shall be such that neither the ballot boxes nor the voting shelves nor the compartments shall be hidden from the persons just outside the guard rail," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "The arrangement shall be such that the ballot boxes shall not be hidden from the view of persons present and the voting shelves and the compartments shall be so arranged that the doors of each compartment shall be nearest the guard rail, so as to admit to full view of the persons outside of the guard rail those who enter and leave each compartment.' And by striking out the word "or" in the seventeenth line of said section between the words "shelf" and "compartment" and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'and,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Voting compartments shall be provided where voters may be screened from observation while marking their ballots.

—each compartment shall have door.

'Section 22. The municipal officers in each city, town or plantation, as aforesaid, shall cause the polling places therein to be suitably provided with a sufficient number of voting shelves and compartments, at or in which voters may conveniently mark their ballots so that in the marking thereof they shall be screened from the observation of others, and each voting shelf and compartment shall have a wooden swing door so arranged that the top thereof shall be not less than six feet from the floor and the bottom of the door shall be at least two feet and six inches from the floor. And such door shall be shut while the voter is within the compartment and no one shall be allowed therein with him, unless he calls for assistance in the marking of his ballot and such assistance shall be so furnished according to the provisions of this act, and a guard rail shall be so constructed and placed that only such persons as are inside said rail can approach within six feet of the ballot boxes and of such voting shelves and compartments. The arrangement shall be such that the ballot boxes shall not be hidden from the view of persons present and the voting shelves and compartments shall be so arranged that the door of each compartment shall be next to the guard rail, so as to admit to full view of the persons just outside

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of the guard rail those who enter and leave each compartment. The number of such voting shelves and compartments shall not be less than one for every one hundred voters qualified to vote at such polling place, and not less than three in any town, and not less than five in any ward of a city. No persons other than the election officers, election clerks and voters admitted as hereinafter provided, shall be permitted within said rail, except by authority of the presiding election officer or officers for the purpose of keeping order and enforcing the law. Each voting shelf and compartment shall be kept provided with proper supplies and conveniences for marking the ballots.'

—number of compartments.

Section 2. This act shall take effect only in such towns and cities as by a majority vote of the legal voters so voting in such town or city shall adopt it.

This act shall take effect when adopted by vote of town or city.

Approved March 24, 1905.

Chapter 149.

An Act to amend Sections one hundred and sixteen and one hundred and seventeen of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to caucuses in cities of over thirty-five thousand inhabitants.

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

Section 1. Section one hundred and sixteen of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting the words 'the city committees may in their discretion determine in their call for a caucus or convention the persons who are entitled to participate in said caucus or convention' before the word "when-ever" in the first line of said section.

Section 116, chapter 6, R. S., amended.

Section 2. Section one hundred and seventeen of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "twenty-five" and inserting instead thereof the words 'thirty-five,' so that said section, as amended, shall read, "The provisions of the four preceding sections shall be applicable only to cities of more than thirty-five thousand inhabitants."

Section 117, chapter 6, R. S., amended.

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 24, 1905.