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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Eightieth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1921

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party for which he is appointed maintain its right to be represented upon the official ballot, and who during said term shall have like rights and duties, with the before-mentioned clerks to be present at and assist in the counting of votes, and shall serve with or without compensation as the municipal officers in any case may deem advisable, vacancies occurring in case of said clerks to be filled as in case of other clerks herein mentioned. No person shall be eligible to the position of election clerk in any ward, town or plantation where he is a candidate to be voted for. Two of the clerks in each polling place, one from each political party, shall be detailed by the municipal officers to act as ballot clerks. The two ballot clerks thus detailed and appointed in each polling place shall have the charge of the ballots therein and shall furnish them to the voters in the manner hereinafter set forth. A duplicate list of the qualified voters in each ward, town or plantation shall be prepared for the use of the ballot clerks, and all the provisions of law relative to the preparation, furnishing and preservation of check lists shall apply to such duplicate lists. Provisions in the charter of any city for the election of two persons to assist the warden in receiving, sorting and counting the ballots are not affected by the provisions hereof; but persons so elected shall be deemed election clerks for that purpose; they shall equally represent the two political parties which at the state election next preceding cast the greatest number of votes. Provided, however, the municipal officers of cities, towns and plantations may, on or before the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty, appoint two additional clerks for each polling place in cities, towns and plantations, and for each island ward of the city of Portland and for the island district of the town of Cumberland, who shall be sworn and shall assist the election officers in the several voting precincts of the state and who shall serve until the next regular appointment of clerks for polling places as provided by law, and receive such compensation as is provided for clerks now serving.'

Sec. 2. Emergency. In view of the emergency expressed in the preamble hereof this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved August 31, 1920.

Chapter 267.

An Act to Prevent the Denial or Abridgment of the Right to Hold Office on Account of Sex.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Right to vote or hold civil office not to be denied on account of sex. No citizen of the United States having a right to vote in this state shall be denied the right to hold any civil office under this state or any subdivision thereof on account of sex.

Approved August 31, 1920.