

(Note by the Secretary of State).—The foregoing act was filed in the office of the Secretary of State, without the approval of the Governor thereof.

SAM H. NICHOLS,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 117.

[H. B. No. 161.]

AMENDING BALLINGER'S CODE RELATIVE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS.

AN ACT relating to the election of school directors in cities of ten thousand inhabitants and over, and amending Sections 2346 and 2347 in Article III of Chapter III, of Title XV, of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 2346 Bal-
linger's Code
amended.

Election and
term of
Board of
Directors.

SECTION 1. Section 2346, in Article III, of Chapter III, of Title XV, of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington, is hereby amended so that the same shall read as follows: Section 2346. The said board of directors shall consist of five members, who shall be elected by ballot by the qualified electors of the district and shall hold their offices for a term of three years, and until their successors are elected and qualified: *Provided*, that the terms of members of the board of directors in any city, to which the provisions of this title apply, shall serve the time for which they were elected, and if such time would otherwise elapse prior to the first Monday of January, then they shall respectively serve until the said first Monday of January next following the day when their terms would otherwise respectively expire.

Amending
Sec. 2347 Bal-
linger's Code.

Regular dis-
trict elec-
tions.

SEC. 2. Section 2347 in Article III, Chapter III of Title XV of Ballinger's Annotated Codes and Statutes of Washington is hereby amended so that the same shall read as follows: Section 2347. The regular district election in each district contemplated by this chapter shall be held upon the first Saturday of December in each year, beginning with the year 1903. The board of directors shall cause written or printed notices to be posted, specifying the day and place

of such election, and the time during which the ballot box will be kept open; not less, however, than six hours. Said notices shall be posted in at least one place in each ward in the district at least twenty days previous to the time of election. Said notices shall also be published three times in two daily papers published in the district, and if there be no daily or dailies, then in the weekly paper or papers in three regular issues next preceding the day of such election. If the board of directors fail to give notice at such time, as herein provided, then any five legal voters residing in the district may give such notice over their own names, and such election may be held after the day fixed by this title for such election. All elections shall be by ballot and in the absence of any notice specifying the hour, the ballot box shall be open at one o'clock p. m., and be closed at eight o'clock p. m.

Passed the House February 26, 1903.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1903.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1903.

CHAPTER 118.

[H. B. No. 223.]

FOR THE PROTECTION OF SHADE TREES AND HEDGES ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

AN ACT for the protection of shade trees and hedges on public highways.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Any person or company wishing to plant and cultivate shade or ornamental trees on the public highways of the State of Washington may lawfully do so by planting the same in the said highways at a distance not greater than ten (10) feet from the lines dividing the land owned by them from the said highways when the said roads have a legal width of sixty (60) feet or more and at a distance not greater than eight (8) feet from said dividing lines when said roads have a legal width of less than sixty

Lawful to plant—at certain distances, etc.