If any sentence, clause or phrase of this act shall Severability. be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other sentence, clause or phrase of this act.

The provisions of this act shall be liberally con- Liberal strued so that the uses and purposes hereof may be achieved and accomplished.

SEC. 7. This act is necessary for the preservation Emergency. of the peace, health and safety of the state and the support of the state government and its existing institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House February 14, 1955.

Passed the Senate March 6, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 15, 1955.

## CHAPTER 153. [H.B. 542.]

ELECTIONS-NOTICE-CERTIFICATION OF MEASURES.

AN ACT relating to elections; amending section 7, chapter 101, Laws of 1951 and RCW 29.27.080; and repealing section 6, chapter 53, Laws of 1923 and RCW 29.27.070.

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

SECTION 1. Section 7, chapter 101, Laws of 1951 Amendment. and RCW 29.27.080 are each amended to read as follows:

Notice for any state, county, district, or municipal Notice of election, whether special or general, shall be given publication. by at least one publication not more than ten nor less than three days prior to the election by the county auditor or the officer conducting the election as the case may be, in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the county. Said legal Requirements. notice shall contain the title of each office under the proper party designation, the names and ad-

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dresses of all officers who have been nominated for an office to be voted upon at that election, together with the ballot titles of all measures, the hours during which the polls will be open, and that the election will be held in the regular polling places in each precinct, giving the address of each polling place: Provided, That the names of all candidates for nonpartisan offices shall be published separately with designation of the offices for which they are candidates but without party designation. This shall be the only notice required for a state, county, district or municipal general or special election and shall supersede the provisions of any and all other statutes, whether general or special in nature, having different requirements for the giving of notice of any general or special elections.

Repeal.

Superseding legislation.

SEC. 2. Section 6, chapter 53, Laws of 1923 and RCW 29.27.070 are each repealed.

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