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Approved January 20, 1891.

CHAPTER II.

[H. B. No. 10.]

LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES.

AN ACT making appropriations for the expenses of the second legislature of the State of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. That there be and there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seventy thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the per diem and mileage of the members and the salaries of the officers and employés of the present session of the legislature of the State of Washington, and the other expenses of this session.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the governor.

Approved January 20, 1891.

CHAPTER III.

[H. B. No. 87.]

VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATURE.

AN ACT relating to the filling of vacancies in the legislature of the State of Washington.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the legislature of the State of Washington during or prior to any session

of the legislature which occurs before any general election of the State of Washington, it shall be the duty of the governor of the state to forthwith issue a writ of election, providing for the filling of such vacancy by an election; said writ shall in substance be as follows:

The State of Washington to the electors of ——— (senatorial or representative) *district, county or counties, of the State of Washington, greeting:* Form of writ.

You are hereby commanded to hold an election to fill the vacancy in the ——— (here state whether in the house or senate) caused by the ——— (here state cause of vacancy), which said election shall be held upon the — day of ———, A. D. 189—.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed thereto.

—————, Governor.

Attest:

—————, Secretary of State.

Which said writ shall be at once transmitted to the auditor or auditors of the county or counties wherein said district is situated.

SEC. 2. Such election shall be held in every way as provided by law for general elections in the State of Washington, except as herein otherwise provided.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the auditor or auditors Auditor must give notice. of the county or counties wherein the district is situated wherein said election is to be held, to give notice of such election by posting notices of the same in at least four (4) public places within said district, or if said district be composed of more than one county, then in four public places in either county, and by posting one (1) notice at the front door of the court house of the county or counties wherein said district is situated, in substance following:

To the electors of ——— (senatorial or representative district, as the case may be), *in the county of* ———, *in the State of Washington:* Form of notice.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of election issued by his excellency the governor of the State of Washington, an election will be held for the purpose of electing a ——— (representative or senator as the case may be) from the ——— district in the county or counties of ———, in the State of Washington, to fill the vacancy caused by the ——— (state cause of vacancy), upon the — day of ———, 189—, at the various voting places within said district, where the last general election was held, within the usual hours provided by law for holding general elections.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this — day of ———, 189—.

—————, County Auditor of ——— County.

Which said notice shall also be published once in some newspaper published within the county or counties in which said district is situated, if there be a newspaper in said county or counties, and if not, then in some newspaper of general circulation within said district.

Publishing notice.

SEC. 4. Said notice shall be posted at least ten (10) days prior to the day when said election is to be held; and be published in said newspaper at least five (5) days before the day of holding said election. It shall also be the duty of the county auditor or auditors, in addition to posting and giving said notice, as hereinbefore provided for, to give a copy of said notice to the chairman or any member of the county central committee of all the political organizations existing within the county or counties in which said district is situated at least ten (10) days before the day when said election shall be held.

Registration.

SEC. 5. If the registration of voters for the general election, or, where the district is within an incorporated city, for the municipal election next preceding the holding of a special election, shall be deemed to be a registration of voters for the purposes of such special election, and shall be used at such election as the registration of such special election: *Provided*, That any voter not registered, who has become entitled to vote since the last registration, shall be entitled to vote upon proving to the satisfaction of the judges and inspector of the said election that such voter is entitled to vote, and that such voter has become entitled to vote since the last registration was closed.

Nominations.

SEC. 6. All nominations of candidates for the office to be filled by the writ of election hereinbefore provided for, shall be filed with the auditor of the county or counties wherein said district is situated, at least five (5) days before the day appointed for said election.

SEC. 7. In addition to the manner in which candidates may be nominated by law for such special election, the candidates for the office named in such writ of election may be nominated by the chief committee of any political organization within the county or counties wherein said district is situated.

SEC. 8. At such special election the judges and inspectors

of election appointed by the county commissioners of the county or counties wherein said district is situated for the last general election preceding such special election, shall be deemed to be the officers of such special election, and the county auditor shall, immediately upon receiving the writ of election from the governor, proceed to notify said officers of the holding of said election.

SEC. 9. Whereas, there is not at present any provision of law by which a vacancy in the legislature of the State of Washington can be speedily filled, an emergency is declared to exist for this statute to take effect immediately; therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval.

Approved January 24, 1891.

CHAPTER IV.

[S. B. No. 22.]

DISTRIBUTION OF CODE, SESSION LAWS AND JOURNALS.

AN ACT providing for the distribution to the members of the legislature of the code of 1881, and the journals and session laws of 1889-90.

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

SECTION 1. That the state auditor and the secretary of state be and hereby are authorized to deliver to each member of the legislature, a copy of the code of 1881 and the session laws of 1889-90, and the journals of the house and senate for 1889-90.

Approved, February 3, 1891.