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Approved March 6, 1893.

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## CHAPTER XLV.

[S. B. No. 88.]

### REGULATING THE REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

AN ACT to amend sections 6, 7, 8, 11 and 16 of an act entitled "An act to provide for and to regulate the registration of voters in cities and towns and in precincts having a voting population of two hundred and fifty (250) or more," approved March 27, 1890, and repealing section 10 thereof, and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Section six of an act entitled "An act to provide for and to regulate the registration of voters in cities and towns and in precincts having a voting population of two hundred and fifty (250) or more," approved March 27, 1890, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Sec. 6. The poll books in this act provided for shall be open at all times during the year for the registration of voters except that they shall be closed in all general and county elections for the purpose of organization (20) twenty days preceding any election to be held in such city, town or precinct. The city or town clerk or officers of registration shall give notice of the closing of such books, by a notice published at least ten days, in a newspaper of general circulation in such city, town or precinct, and by posting either written or printed notices in three of the most public places in any such city, town or precinct at least ten days preceding the day of such closing, and such notice by publication shall have at least two insertions in such newspaper; in all special city, town or precinct elections such notices shall be given by the posting aforesaid only at least five days before such closing, and the poll

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Publication  
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books shall be closed ten days preceding all such special or local elections.

SEC. 2. Section 7 of said act, of which this act is amendatory, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Sec. 7. The poll books aforesaid shall be so arranged as to admit the alphabetical classification of the names of the voters, and ruled in parallel columns with appropriate heads as follows: Date of registration; name; age; occupation; place of residence; place of birth; time of residence in the state, county, ward and precinct, and if of foreign birth, name and place of court and date of declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States, or date of naturalization, and with column for signature and one for remarks, and one column for checking the name of voter at the time of voting. If the voter registering is of foreign birth he shall at the time of registering exhibit to the registration officer a certificate of his declaration of intention, or naturalization, or if such certificate be lost, then a certified copy of the same. Under head of place of residence shall be noted the number of lot and block or number and street where the applicant resides, or some other definite description sufficient to locate the residence, and the voter so registering as provided in this section shall sign his name on the registry opposite the entries above required, in the column headed "signature," and and in case any voter shall not be capable of writing his name he shall, on the left hand margin of said column, make his mark by cross or such other mark as is usual in indicating his signature, and some person who personally knows said voter, and is personally known to the registering officer, and who is capable of writing his name, shall sign in said column immediately opposite said mark, as an identifying witness thereto.

Poll book,  
how arranged.

SEC. 3. Section 8 of said act is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 8. No person shall be registered unless he appears in person before the city or town clerk or officer of registration at his office during usual office hours, and apply to be registered and give his name, age, occupation, particular place of residence, place of birth, time of residence in the state, county, ward or precinct, and if naturalized, name

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of court, place where held, and date of naturalization papers, and make and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, }  
COUNTY OF ..... } ss.

Affidavit.

I, ....., do solemnly swear, or affirm, that I am a male person over twenty years, eleven months and ten days of age; that I am a native born, or naturalized citizen of the United States, or was a legal elector of the Territory of Washington at the time of the adoption of the constitution of the State of Washington; that I have been an actual permanent resident of the State of Washington for eleven months and ten days last past, of the county of ..... for seventy days last past, and of the ..... precinct ten days last past, and that I have not lost my civil rights by reason of being convicted of an infamous crime.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of .....

Said affidavit shall be bound in book form and preserved with the other records of the city, town or precinct.

Clerk to administer oath.

SEC. 4. Section 11 of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Sec. 11. The city or town clerk, or officer of registration, is hereby empowered to administer all necessary oaths in examining an applicant for registration, or any witness he may offer in his behalf, in order to ascertain his right to be registered under the provisions of this act; and the said clerk, or registration officer, shall closely examine any applicant for registration whose right to registration he may doubt, or who may be challenged, and shall explain to him the necessary qualifications of a voter, and if the applicant for registration be entitled to vote at the next election he shall be registered, otherwise he shall not.

Penalty.

SEC. 5. Section 16 of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Sec. 16. If any person shall falsely swear, or affirm, in taking the oath or making the affirmation prescribed in section 8 hereof, or shall falsely personate another, and procure the person so personated to be registered, or if any person shall represent his name to the city

or town clerk, or officer of registration, to be different from what it actually is, and cause such name to be registered, or if any person shall cause any name to be placed upon the registry list otherwise than in the manner provided in this act, he shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and upon conviction be punished by confinement and hard labor in the penitentiary not more than five years nor less than one year.

SEC. 6. Section 10 of the act of which this act is amendatory is hereby repealed.

Whereas, by provision of the act of which this is amendatory applicants for registration may procure themselves to be registered without having the qualifications of an elector, therefore an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the governor. Emergency.

Approved March 7, 1893.

## CHAPTER XLVI.

[S. B. No. 129.]

### RELATING TO WORK ON MINING CLAIMS.

AN ACT to amend section 2213 of title 25, chapter 2 of volume 1 of the General Statutes and Codes of the State of Washington as arranged and annotated by Wm. Lair Hill.

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

SECTION 1. That section 2213 of title 25, chapter 2 of volume 1 of said General Statutes and Codes of Washington be amended as follows: SEC. 2 [2213]. In order to hold the possessory right to a location of a mine not less than one hundred dollars' worth of work must be performed or improvements made thereon annually: *Provided*, That the period within which the work required to be done annually on all unpatented claims so located shall commence on the first day of January succeeding the date of location of such claim.

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