

CHAPTER 100.

[S. B. 110.]

VOTING BY BLIND PERSONS.

AN ACT relating to elections and providing that blind persons or persons of defective vision may request the assistance of certain persons to mark their ballots other than is now provided by law, and providing penalties.

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

SECTION 1. That hereafter, when any blind person, or person with such defective vision that he or she cannot see to mark his or her ballot, and who is otherwise qualified to vote, may designate his or her spouse, or any near relative, who can see and who is also a registered voter, to mark his or her ballot: *Provided*, That this act shall not prevent any such person from designating election officers for that purpose, as now provided by law, but no election officer shall prevent such person from exercising his or her choice as heretofore set forth.

Marking of ballots.

Election officers.

Violation.

SEC. 2. Any person violating any provision of this act shall be punished as for a misdemeanor.

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