

CHAPTER 4.

[ S. B. 20. ]

ELECTIONS—CITY PRIMARIES.

AN ACT relating to city elections; adding a new section to chapter 29.21, RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

New section.

SECTION 1. There is added to chapter 29.21 RCW, a new section to read as follows:

City primary election procedure where no more than two file for each position.

No primary shall be held in any city if, after the last day allowed for candidates to withdraw, there are no more than two candidates filed for each position to be filled. In such event, the city clerk shall immediately notify all candidates concerned and if the county auditor has jurisdiction of such primary election, he shall also be notified. Names of candidates that would have been printed upon the city primary ballot, but for the provisions of this act, shall be printed upon the city general election ballot alphabetically in groups under the designation of the respective titles of the offices for which they are candidates: *Provided*, That should the provisions of this act be in conflict with any provision in any charter of a city, said charter provision shall not be affected.

**Note: Above proviso relating to city charters eliminated by Sec. 2, Chapter 101, Laws of 1955.**

Emergency.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate January 19, 1955.

Passed the House January 26, 1955.

Approved by the Governor January 28, 1955.