

CHAPTER 163.

MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES, CLERKS, BAILIFFS, ETC.

H. F. 303.

AN ACT to repeal section six hundred ninety-four c-six (694-c6) of the supplemental supplement to the code of Iowa, 1915, and to enact a substitute therefor, providing for the number of judges of the municipal court, and the clerks and bailiffs thereof, and the method of appointment, nomination, and election, and tenure of office.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Repeal and substitute—municipal court judges, etc.—number—tenure of office. That section six hundred ninety-four c six (694-c6), supplemental supplement to the code, 1915, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

That in any city having a population of less than thirty thousand inhabitants, as shown by the last state or United States census, wherein a municipal court has been or may hereafter be established, there shall be one municipal judge; in cities having more than thirty thousand and less than fifty thousand inhabitants there shall be two municipal judges; provided further, that in cities having more than fifty thousand inhabitants there shall be one municipal judge for each thirty thousand inhabitants or major fraction thereof, provided that the inhabitants of any civil township in which said city or any part thereof is located shall be counted in determining the number of judges. In every city, establishing a municipal court, as herein provided, there shall be nominated at the following primary, and elected at the following city election, a judge or judges of said municipal court, a clerk and a bailiff thereof, as hereinafter provided. Provided, however, that when the territorial limits of any municipal court extend beyond the city limits to the borders of any township in which any such city is located as herein provided, then the primary and general election shall be held on the same day and subject to the same requirements as said city primary and election. They shall qualify and their terms of office shall begin on the first Monday after their election. The term of office of each judge and of the clerk and bailiff shall be four years.

SEC. 2. Additional judge—appointment. In any city which shall be entitled to an additional judge of the municipal court under the provisions of this act a vacancy shall be deemed to exist as to the office of such additional judge and the governor shall, by appointment, fill such vacancy as provided in section six hundred ninety-four c-sixteen (694-c16) of the supplemental supplement to the code, 1915.

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