

## CHAPTER 126.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

AN ACT amending Chapter two of the Code.

**Sections repeal'd** SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That sections four, five and six, of chapter two of the Code are hereby repealed.

**Sessions commence.** SEC. 2. The regular sessions of the General Assembly shall be biennial, and shall commence on the second Monday in January next ensuing the election of its members, and shall take place at the Seat of Government unless specially convened at some other place, and the Governor may so convene them in times of pestilence or public danger.

**Temporary organization.** SEC. 3. At two o'clock in the afternoon of the day of the sitting of the General Assembly, and at the place of the sitting of the Houses respectively, the President of the Senate shall call the Senate to order; and some person claiming to be elected a member of the House of Representatives shall call the House to order, and the persons present claiming to be elected to the Senate shall choose a Secretary, and those of the House of Representatives, a clerk for the time being. In case of the absence of the President of the Senate at the time of the convening of the General Assembly, the Senate may be called to order by any person claiming to be elected a member of that body, and a President *pro tempore*, shall be chosen from their own number, by the persons claiming to be elected Senators.

**Certificates of election.** SEC. 4. The Secretary and Clerk so elected shall receive and file the certificates of election presented, each for his own house, and make a list of the names of the persons who appear by such certificates to be elected members of the respective houses.

**Term of office.** SEC. 5. The Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall hold his office, until the first day of the meeting of a regular session of the General Assembly

next, after that at which he was elected. All other officers elected by the Senate or House of Representatives, shall hold their offices only during the session, at which they were elected.

SEC. 6. Section eleven of said chapter is hereby repealed. Repeat.

Approved, March 22d, 1858.

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### APPEARANCE TERM.

AN ACT to amend section 1768, of the Code, and amendatory of the law providing when causes in courts of record shall be tried.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That section seventeen hundred and sixty-three of the Code be amended as follows: "except when otherwise provided, causes shall be tried at the second term after they are commenced, unless reasonable cause for a continuance be shown." First term an appearance term.

SEC. 2. From and after the first day of January, A. D. 1859, this act shall cease to be in force, and section seventeen hundred and sixty-three shall be in force and have the effect that the same had previous to the taking effect of this act, provided, that the provisions of section twenty-one (21) of the Code, shall not apply to this act. Law in force till 1860.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa Weekly Citizen and Iowa State Journal. Take effect.

Approved March 22d, 1858.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa weekly Citizen on the 7th of April, 1858, and in the Iowa State Journal on the 8d day of April, 1858.

ELIJAH SELLS,  
Secretary of State.