

- Shall be submitted at next general election. article ten of the constitution, the same shall be submitted to the qualified electors at the next ensuing general election; and the ballots relating to such amendment or amendments shall be separate from the ballots for officers cast at such election, and shall be deposited in boxes to be provided by the judges of election, separate from said ballots so cast for officers; and there shall be written or printed on such ballots the entire proposed amendment or amendments with the word "for" or "against"—as the elector may desire—preceding each amendment voted upon; and the election shall be conducted in the same manner as the election for state officers, except as herein otherwise provided; and the canvass shall be in the same manner, and by the same officers and like returns made thereof as of the ballots cast for the secretary of state; and the board of state canvassers shall declare the result and enter the same of record in the book mentioned in section one of this act, immediately following and in connection with the proofs of publication.
- Ballots.
- Election.
- Returns.
- Duty of Governor. Sec. 3. Whenever a proposition to amend the constitution is submitted to a vote of the electors, the governor shall include such proposed amendment in his proclamation provided for in section 577 of the Code.
- Expenses under this act. Sec. 4. Expenses incurred under the provisions of this act, shall be audited and allowed by the executive council and paid out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- Approved March 15, 1876.

## CHAPTER 115.

## LEGALIZING SALE OF CERTAIN LAND IN HARRISON COUNTY.

- H. F. 861. AN ACT to Legalize the Sale of a Certain 80 Acre Tract of School Land in Harrison County, sold to John A. Parkins.

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

- SECTION 1. That the sale of the east half of the southwest quarter of section three (3) in township seventy-eight (78) north of range forty-two (42), west of the fifth p. m. in Harrison county and state of Iowa, be and the same is hereby made valid and confirmed, the same having been sold by the auditor of Harrison county to John A. Parkins on the 2nd day of March, 1870, and a certificate of purchase given therefor; and it is further enacted that the governor is hereby authorized to make and deliver a patent to the said John A. Parkins or his assignee on presentation of the certificate of purchase and the payment of three (\$3) dollars per acre including what has heretofore been paid to the state thereon.
- E  $\frac{1}{4}$  of s w  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 3, tp. 78. r. 42.
- Governor to make patent.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect on and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 15, 1876.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Leader*, April 20, and in the *Iowa State Register*, March 23, 1876.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State*.

## CHAPTER 116.

### RELATING TO CITIES ORGANIZED UNDER SPECIAL CHARTERS.

AN ACT Relating to Cities Organized and Existing Under Special Charters Conferring Additional Powers, and Amending the Charters of such Cities. [Additional to Code, Chapter 10, Title IV; "Of Cities and Incorporated Towns."] H. F. 213.

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

SECTION 1. All cities in this state organized and existing under special charters, may provide by ordinance when taxes both general and special shall become delinquent, and the rate of interest which they shall thereafter bear, which rate shall not exceed twenty-five per cent. per annum; and for the sale of delinquent, special and general taxes, on such terms and such at a rebate of the principal or interest, or both, as the city council may determine; and in the notice required by law to be given it will be sufficient to state the description of the lot or parcel of real estate to be sold for delinquent taxes of the current year, and also the lot or parcel of real estate on which the delinquent taxes for previous years remain due and unpaid, and the amount of taxes delinquent for previous years without naming such previous years, and the amount of interest and costs, if any, against each lot or parcel of real estate, in which may be included special taxes delinquent, at such rate of interest as the city council may determine, not to exceed the rate allowed by law at the time the taxes were assessed, and the total amount of taxes, interest and cost against such lot or parcel of real estate.

SEC. 2. In all advertisements for the sale of real property for taxes, and in entries required to be made in any manner connected with the assessment or collection of taxes, letters and figures may be used to denote numbers, fractions of numbers, and amounts, as are commonly used in other business transactions, and no irregularity or informality in the advertisement shall affect the legality of any sale, or the title of any property conveyed if it shall appear that said property was subject to taxation for the

To take effect.

H. F. 213.

To provide by ordinance when taxes shall become delinquent.

Sufficient notice of sale.

Letters and figures may be used.

Irregularities.