

tificate of election shall be given accordingly. Should either party fail to appear or take part in the lot, the secretary shall draw for him."

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines. Publication.

Approved, February 23, 1880.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, February 26, 1880, and *Iowa State Leader*, February 24, 1880.

J. A. T. HULL, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 8.

### INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

AN ACT to amend the law Governing the Election of Directors and the Powers of Boards of Directors of Independent School Districts. H. F. 339.  
Amendatory of Code, Title XII, Chapter 9.

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

SECTION 1. That in independent school districts having a population of not less than fifteen thousand inhabitants shall be divided into not less than three, nor more than six, election precincts, in each of which a poll shall be held at a convenient place, to be appointed by the board of directors, for the reception of the ballots of the electors residing in such precinct at said election. Independent school districts of not less than 15,000 inhabitants divided into election precincts.

SEC. 2. The board of directors shall provide for the submission of all questions relating to the powers reserved to the electors, under section 1807 of the Code, which questions shall be decided by ballot, returns to be made on questions submitted as hereinafter provided. Submission of questions to electors.

SEC. 3. A register of the electors residing in each precinct shall be prepared by the board of directors from the register of the electors for [of] any city, town, or township, which is in whole or in part included within such independent school district, and for that purpose a copy of such register of electors shall be furnished by the clerk of each such city, town, or township to the board of directors. Said board shall, in each year before the annual election for directors, revise and correct such school election registers by comparison thereof with the last register of elections for such cities, towns, and townships. And the register provided for by this section shall have the same force and effect at elections held under this act and in respect to the reception of votes at said elections as the register of elections has by law at general elections. Register of electors residing in each precinct.  
Copy of furnished by the clerk.  
Board shall revise such school election register.  
Force and effect of such register.

Notice of election given.

SEC. 4. Notice of every election under this act shall be given in each district in which the same is to be held by the secretary thereof by posting up the same in three public places in said district and by publication in a newspaper published therein for two weeks preceding such election. Such notice shall also state the respective *elective* [election] precincts, and the polling place in each precinct.

Judges of election.

SEC. 5. The board of directors shall appoint one of their own number and another elector of the district to act as judges of election, and a clerk for each polling place who shall be sworn as provided by section 609 of the Code in case of general elections. The polls shall be opened from 9 o'clock A. M. to 6 o'clock P. M. If either of the judges, or clerk, fail to attend, his place may be filled by the others, by appointing an elector attending in his place, and if all fail to attend in time, or refuse to serve or be sworn, the electors present shall choose two judges and a clerk from the electors attending. A ballot-box and the necessary poll-book shall be provided by the board of directors for each precinct, and the election shall be conducted in the same manner, and under the same rules and regulations so far as applicable, as or [are] provided by chapter 3 of title V of the Code for general elections.

Polls opened and closed.

Fill vacancy in case of failure to attend.

Board of directors to provide ballot-box.

Judges and clerk shall canvass the vote etc.

Board of directors shall meet Monday after the election etc.

Secretary to issue certificate of election.

Repealing clause.

Publication.

SEC. 6. The judges of election and clerk in each precinct shall canvass the vote therein, and shall as soon as possible make out, sign, and return to the secretary of the district a certificate showing the whole number of votes cast in such precinct, and the number of votes in favor of each person voted for, and questions submitted. The board of directors shall meet on the next Monday after the election and canvass the returns, and ascertain the result of the election, the whole number of votes cast, and the number in favor of each person voted for shall be entered in their record, and the persons respectively receiving the highest two numbers of votes shall be declared elected, and all questions submitted receiving a majority of votes cast shall be recorded as carried. The secretary shall issue to each person so elected a certificate of his election.

SEC. 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved, February 26, 1880.

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J. A. T. HULL, *Secretary of State.*