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*Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 50.

### ELECTION EXPENSES.

H. F. 477.

AN ACT to amend title six (VI), chapter three (3) of the code, relating to elections.

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

**SECTION 1. Amended.** That title six (6), chapter three (3) of the code be and the same is hereby amended by adding the following sections thereto:

**SEC. 2. Candidates to make sworn statement of election expenses—where filed.** Every candidate for any office to be voted for at any primary, municipal or general election shall, within ten days after the holding of such primary, municipal or general election, file a true, correct, detailed, sworn statement showing each and all sums of money or other things of value disbursed, expended or promised directly or indirectly by him, and to the best of his knowledge and belief by any other person or persons in his behalf for the purpose of aiding or securing his nomination or election. If the person be a candidate for a municipal or a county office, such statement shall be filed with the county auditor; if for a state office, or any other office to be voted for by the electors of more than one county, such statement shall be filed with the secretary of state. Such statement shall show the dates, amounts, and from whom such sums of money or other things of value were received; and the dates, amounts, purposes and to whom paid or disbursed, and shall include the assessment of any person, committee, or organization in charge of the campaign of such candidate.

**SEC. 3. Testimony—immunity from prosecution.** In prosecutions under this act, no witness shall be excused from giving testimony on the ground that his testimony would tend to render him criminally liable or expose him to public ignominy, but any matter so elicited shall not be used against him, and said witness shall not be prosecuted for any crime connected with or growing out of the act on which the prosecution is based in the cause in which his evidence is used for the state, under the provisions of this section.

**SEC. 4. Statements by committee chairmen.** The chairman of each party central committee for the state, district or county, shall file a statement of receipts and expenditures within ten days after the general election. The chairmen of state and district central committees shall file said statements with the secretary of state; and the chairmen of county central committees, with the county auditor. Such statements shall contain all the information required to be filed by candidates as set forth in section two (2) of this act, and in addition thereto shall state the amounts or balances remaining on hand. The person filing the same shall make oath that it is a full, true and correct statement.

**SEC. 5. Statements open to public inspection.** The statements provided for in this act shall be open at all times to the inspection of the public, and

remain on file and become a part of the permanent records in the office where filed.

**SEC. 6. Treating near the polls.** It shall be the duty of the judges and clerks of all municipal, general and primary elections to prohibit the placing, keeping, and giving to the voters, by any person of any cigars, food or other refreshments or treats, in or about the polling place.

**SEC. 7. Penalty.** Any person violating any of the provisions of the last five preceding sections shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than three hundred dollars (\$300), or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months.

Approved April 13, A. D. 1907.

## CHAPTER 51.

### PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

S. F. 230.

AN ACT providing for the nomination, by political parties, or organizations, of candidates for various offices, and the election of delegates to conventions of said political parties or organizations, and the election of party committeemen, by a primary election, and for the holding of conventions by such political parties or organizations, providing penalties for the violations thereof, and repealing chapter forty (40), laws of the Thirtieth General Assembly, and chapters forty-five (45) and forty-six (46), laws of the Thirty-first General Assembly, relating to primary elections.

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

**SECTION 1. Primary elections authorized—offices affected.** That from and after the passage of this act the candidates of political parties for all offices which under the law are filled by the direct vote of the voters of this state at the general election in November, (except candidates for the office of judge of the supreme, district and superior courts), for the office of senator in the congress of the United States, and for the office of elector of the president and vice-president of the United States, shall be nominated by a primary election, and delegates to the county conventions of said political parties or organizations and party county committeemen shall be elected at said primary election, at the times and in the manner hereinafter provided. The provisions of chapters three (3) and four (4), title six (6), and chapter eight (8), title twenty-four (24), of the code, shall apply so far as applicable to all such primary elections, the same as general elections, except as hereinafter provided. The vote upon candidates for the office of senator in the congress of the United States shall be for the sole purpose of ascertaining the sentiment of the voters in the respective parties.

**SEC. 2. Primary election defined.** The term "primary election" as used in this act shall be construed to apply to an election by the members of various political parties for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for public office, for selecting delegates to conventions, and for the selection of party committeemen.

**SEC. 3. Political party defined.** The title "political party" shall mean a party which, at the last preceding general election, cast for its candidate for governor at least two per centum of the total vote cast at said election, provided that such other political organizations as may, under sections 1098 and 1099 of the code nominate and certify candidates and have their names placed upon the ballot for the November election, shall have the right so to do in the manner and under the conditions therein prescribed.