

CAUCUSES.

CHAPTER 38.

[S. B. 104.]

REGULATING CAUCUSES.

AN ACT Regulating the Holding of Caucuses and Providing for a Penalty for Violation Thereof.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. DELEGATES ELECTED BY BALLOT.] All delegates to an assembly or convention shall be elected by ballot at a caucus to be held for such purpose.

§ 2. BASIS OF REPRESENTATION.] The basis of representation of delegates to an assembly or convention shall be fixed and determined by the authorized county committee of each political party entitled by law to make nominations for office by delegate convention; and such county committee shall divide the county into caucus precincts and establish the boundaries of the same which caucus precincts shall be as nearly as practicable the same as the established voting precincts in its county.

§ 3. POST NOTICE.] Public printed or posted notice of the time and place of holding such caucus shall be given at least ten days before holding the same. Such notice shall contain a brief statement of the object of the caucus and the length of time the polls shall be kept open, and shall be signed by the chairman and secretary of such committee.

§ 4. WHEN CAUCUS SHALL BE HELD.] All caucuses held under the provisions of this act shall be held between the hours of two o'clock p. m. and nine o'clock p. m., and the polls shall be kept open at least one hour.

§ 5. JUDGE AND CLERK.] The electors present at such caucus shall at the opening of the polls elect by viva voce vote a chairman and clerk of such caucus, whose powers and duties shall be the same as the powers and duties of judge and clerk of elections, respectively, in so far as the same shall be applicable.

§ 6. SHALL ISSUE CERTIFICATES.] The chairman and clerk of such caucus shall at the close of the polls immediately canvass the ballots cast for delegate or delegates and shall issue certificates of election to each delegate who shall receive a majority of all the votes cast at such caucus, such certificate shall be signed by said chairman and clerk.

§ 7. DUTY OF CLERK.] It shall be the duty of the clerk of such caucus to carefully keep and preserve the record of the caucus, which shall include a list of the names of each person voting at the said caucus, for six months, and he shall at any time within said six months furnish a certified copy of the record of such caucus upon the request of the chairman of the county or state committee of the political party which said caucus represented.

§ 8. PENALTY.] Any person who shall participate directly or indirectly in the election at caucus of more than one delegate or set of delegates for the nomination of each office to be filled shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than fifty or more than two hundred dollars.

Approved March 8, 1899.

CHAPLAIN OF THE SENATE.

CHAPTER 39.

[S. B. 36.]

COMPENSATION.

AN ACT to Fix the Compensation of the Chaplain of the Senate and of the House of Representatives.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. SENATE CHAPLAIN, COMPENSATION.] The compensation of the chaplain of the Senate, and the chaplain of the House of Representatives, shall be three dollars per day, and this act shall apply to the chaplains of the present legislative assembly.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, there is no law providing adequate compensation for chaplains of the legislative assembly; therefore, an emergency exists, and this act shall be in effect from and after its passage and approval.

§ 3. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved February 7, 1899.