

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, the present law prescribing the method for paying rewards is not practical, therefore this act shall take effect and be in force after its passage and approval.

Approved March 14, 1907.

CEMETERIES

CHAPTER 44.

[H. B. No. 308—Treat]

CEMETERY PLATS.

AN ACT to Amend Section 4587, Revised Codes of North Dakota of 1905, Relating to Cemetery Corporation.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 4587 of the revised codes of 1905 relating to cemetery corporations is amended to read as follows:

§ 4587. SURVEY AND PLAT. RECORD.] Such corporation shall cause its land, or such portion thereof as may from time to time become necessary for that purpose, to be surveyed into lots, avenues and walks and platted and the plat of ground as surveyed shall be acknowledged and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county. Each lot shall be regularly numbered by the surveyor and such number shall be marked on the plat and recorded. Any plat may be vacated by such corporation at any time before the sale of any lots therein by a majority vote of the directors of such corporation, and when so vacated a written instrument declaring the same to be vacated, executed and acknowledged, as such plats are executed and acknowledged, shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds where such plat is recorded; and in case any lot or lots have been sold in such plat and reconveyed by the owners thereof to such corporation, such plat may be vacated as hereinbefore provided; and such corporation may by a majority vote of its directors vacate any avenue or avenues, walk or walks, in its cemetery upon the written petition of all owners of lots abutting upon such avenue, avenues, walk or walks, and when any avenue, avenues, walk or walks are so vacated such avenue, avenues, walk or walks shall revert to and become the property of the owners of lots abutting thereon from either side to the center thereof; and such corporation shall file, in the office where the plat of such cemetery is filed, a plat of such portion of said cemetery showing such change, and acknowledged as such plats are required

to be acknowledged. The register of deeds in whose office the plats aforesaid are recorded shall write in plain, legible letters across the plat or that part of a plat so vacated the word "vacated," and shall make a reference on the same to the volume and page in which such instrument of vacation is recorded.

Approved March 14, 1907.

CITIES

CHAPTER 45.

[S. B. No. 278—Senator Hanna and Representative Peake]

COMMISSION SYSTEM FOR CITIES.

AN ACT to Provide for a Commission System of Government in Cities Which Shall Adopt the Provisions of This Act.

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

§ 1. CITIES INCORPORATED, HOW.] Any city in this state and any incorporated town or village therein having a population of not less than two thousand inhabitants may become incorporated, under this chapter, as a city in the manner following: Whenever one-tenth of the legal voters of such city, or one-tenth of the legal voters of such incorporated town or village, voting at the last preceding general election, shall petition the mayor and council of such city, or the president and trustees of such incorporated town or village, to submit the question as to whether such city, incorporated town or village shall become incorporated under this chapter, to a vote of the electors in such city, town or village, it shall be the duty of such mayor and council of such city, or president and trustees of such incorporated town or village, to submit such question accordingly, and to appoint a time and place or places at which such vote may be taken, and to designate the persons who shall act as judges and clerks at such election; but such question shall not be submitted oftener than once in four years.

§ 2. NOTICE OF ELECTION.] The mayor of such city or president of such incorporated town or village shall give at least twenty days' notice of such election by publishing a notice thereof in one or more newspapers within such city, incorporated town or village, but if no newspaper is published therein, then by posting at least five copies of such notice in each ward or voting precinct of such city, town or village, if divided into wards and precincts; if not, then within such city, town or village.

§ 3. FORM OF BALLOTS.] The ballots to be used at such election shall be in the following form: