

to have been adopted, shall immediately thereafter go into effect.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication

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## CHAPTER 70.\*

AN ACT to amend section 25, of chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government.'"

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 25, of chapter 5, of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, as amended by section 13, chapter 312, laws of 1893, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following: In cities of the fourth class, the city clerk, and any and all other officers, in addition to those hereinbefore specified, may be elected by the qualified electors, at the same time and in the same manner other officers are elected, upon a petition asking therefor being filed in the office of the city clerk fifteen days prior to any regular municipal election, signed by a majority of the electors of such city who voted at the last general election then next preceding as appears from the poll list. And it shall be the duty of the common council of any city of the fourth class, and proper officers of such city, to

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give notice of, call for, and order the election at the next succeeding election, and thereafter at each succeeding election the officer or officers whose title of office is specified in such petition. Such petition may include one or more or all the officers of such city, and the notice, and the order of the election shall follow and include the officer or officers named in the petition. And upon like petition signed by a majority of the electors asking therefor, any common council by ordinance duly passed, may provide for the appointment by the mayor with the concurrence of the common council of any officers of such city excepting the offices of mayor, alderman, assessor, treasurer, supervisor, or justice of the peace.

*Term of office.*

**SECTION 2.** Section 26, of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, as amended by section 14, of the chapter 312, of the laws of 1893, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 26. All officers shall hold their offices respectively for the term of one year, except aldermen who shall hold for a term of two years, and until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified, unless the common council shall by ordinance provide a longer term for said officers or any of them, or unless a different term of office is expressly provided in this act.

**SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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