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CHAPTER 533.

AN ACT to create subsections 12, 13, and 14 of section 11—12 of the statutes, relating to the use of voting machines at primary elections.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to section 11—12 of the statutes three new subsections to read: 12. Voting machines may be used at primary elections, subject to the requirements of section 44—3 of the statutes, and to the following provisions:

Each machine shall be constructed and arranged so that; (1) the names of all candidates entitled to appear on the ballots at the primary shall appear on the machine; (2) the voter cannot vote for the candidates of more than one party; (3) the voter can secretly select the party for which he wishes to vote; (4) the voter can vote for as many candidates for each office as he is lawfully entitled to vote for, but no more.

13. (1) No vote on the irregular ballot device shall be counted for any person for any party, if such person's name appears on the printed ballot labels of that party. (2) To vote for any person as the candidate of any party when the name of such person does not appear upon the printed ballot labels of that party. The voter shall write the name of such person in the proper place in the irregular ballot device, and designate the party for which he desires such person to be the nominee.

14. All laws of this state relating to the use of voting machines at elections, and all penalties prescribed for violations of such laws shall apply to the use of voting machines at primary elections insofar as such laws are not in conflict with subsection 12 of section 11—12. Provided, however, that any voting machine used at a primary election, which has been sealed, closed, or locked, as prescribed in section 44—12 of the statutes, may be opened seven days after such sealing, closing, or locking.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved June 17, 1909.