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**CHAPTER 491**

AN ACT to repeal and recreate 40.03 (6) (c) and (e) of the statutes, as renumbered and amended by chapters 90 and 102, laws of 1953, and to create 40.03 (6) (f) of the statutes, relating to polling places and payment of the cost of conducting a referendum election arising out of a county school committee order.

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

SECTION 1. 40.03 (6) (c) of the statutes, as renumbered and amended by chapter 90, laws of 1953, is repealed and recreated to read:

40.03 (6) (c) Electors shall vote at the polling place at which they would be required to vote at a general election except when the municipal clerk deems it feasible to accommodate all of the voters at other polling places. In such case, he shall inform the county clerk or the county election commission thereof immediately upon his being notified by the county clerk that a referendum election will be conducted, and the county clerk shall thereupon include in the advertising only those polling places where the referendum election will be conducted. The election officials shall be selected by the governing body of the municipality where the polling place is located. Each municipality shall compensate the election officials and shall provide the necessary ballot boxes and voting booths. Such elections shall be held and conducted and the votes cast thereat counted, canvassed and the results returned to the county clerk as at general elections as provided in ch. 6.

SECTION 2. 40.03 (6) (e) of the statutes, as renumbered and amended by chapter 90, laws of 1953, and as amended by chapter 102, laws of 1953, is repealed and recreated to read:

40.03 (6) (e) When a reorganized district includes territory in more than one county, the county clerk of the county having the largest equalized valuation within the reorganized district shall be responsible for conducting the referendum but the costs of such election shall be borne by each of the counties in such proportions as the equalized valuation of the property in each county or portion thereof that is affected by such election bears to the total equalized valuation of the property in the reorganized district.

SECTION 3. 40.03 (6) (f) of the statutes is created to read:

40.03 (6) (f) The cost to the county for compliance with the requirements of pars. (c) and (d) shall be ascertained by the county clerk and certified for payment by the county clerk to the clerk of the school district or several school districts in the county concerned in said referendum in such proportion as the equalized valuation in each such district bears to the total equalized valuation of the property lying within such reorganized district, and the same shall be paid by the school district boards to the county from any funds not otherwise appropriated. When necessary, such charge shall be included in the succeeding budget and become part of the next school district tax levy.

Approved July 9, 1953.