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(REGULAR SESSION, 1933)

House Bill No. 545

(By Mr. Thomas)

Passed March 9, 1933

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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections nine and nine-(a), chapter four, acts of the legislature, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, known as the charter of the city of Charleston, and relating to the registration of voters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections nine and nine-(a), chapter four, acts of the legislature of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 9. Voting precincts in the several wards for the 2 city election shall be the same as to boundaries as those fixed 3 by the county court for all state and county elections. The 4 county clerk of Kanawha county shall carefully preserve in his 5 office, registration books of each general state and county election 6 for all of the precincts of the city of Charleston, and the

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7 original of said books shall be used as the registration for all
8 regular and special city elections, with such corrections as are
9 herein provided for. Said registration books shall never be out
10 of the possession and control of the county court of Kanawha
11 county, or the clerk thereof, except as hereinafter provided:

12 The county court of Kanawha county shall sit on the three
13 last Saturdays and the last Monday next preceding any regular
14 election or primary in said city of Charleston for the purpose of
15 registering voters who have not been already registered in the
16 various precincts, and for transferring voters from one pre-
17 cinct to another which shall be done, upon a proper showing, by
18 striking the name of the voter from the registration book in
19-20 which it appears, and placing the same upon the registra-
21 tion book of the precinct in which the voter is entitled to vote,
22 and no other way, and for striking off the name of any voter
23 from the registration books when it shall be shown to the satis-
24 faction of said court that such person is no longer a voter in
25 said city, and said court shall also strike from such registration
26 books the name of any person known or proved to them to be
27 dead. It shall be the duty of the clerk of said city to give
28 notice of the time and place of the sitting of said court by pub-

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29 lication in two newspapers of opposite politics printed and eir-
30 eulated in said city, once a week for four successive weeks be-
31 fore any such municipal election or primary. The clerk of the
32 county court of Kanawha county shall transfer on the registra-
33 tion books the names of such voters as present themselves to
34 him, in person, during such days preceding any municipal elec-
35 tion after the first Saturday on which the county court sits, as
36 above provided. The two major political parties, through the
37 chairman of their respective municipal executive committees,
38 may appoint challengers to be present at the office of the clerk
39 of said county court on the days when the said clerk is herein
40 authorized to make transfers, but said clerk's decision in the
41 matter shall control.

Sec. 9-(a). No special registrars shall be appointed for any
2 municipal election or primary and the county court of Kanawha
3 county and the clerk thereof shall receive nothing for their
4 services as required by this and the last preceding section.

5 On the day prior to any municipal election or primary the
6 clerk of said county court shall deliver to the city clerk of said
7 city of Charleston all original registration books used in the
8 last general county and state election, as corrected by the

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9 county court of said county, and the clerk of said city shall
10 send the same to the various precincts of said city, as provided
11 by law. After said registration books are delivered to said
12 clerk of said city, no person shall add to the same any name,
13 nor erase therefrom any name, and any person found guilty of
14 either adding or erasing one or more names shall be guilty of a
15 felony and confined in the penitentiary not less than one, nor
16 more than five years. As soon as may be possible after the
17 holding of any such municipal election or primary said origi-
18 nal registration books shall be returned by the clerk of said
19 city to the clerk of the county court of Kanawha county, West
20 Virginia, who shall carefully preserve all of said registration
21 books for such use as is required by law.

22 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby re-
23 pealed.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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Clerk of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.

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Clerk of the Senate.

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Chairman House Committee.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State
of West Virginia. **MAR 18 1933**
Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State