

205\*. It shall be the duty of the said Board of Police, immediately after they shall have established election precincts as first herein provided, to nominate and appoint three discreet persons in each of said precincts to act as judges of election therein, designating in said appointment one of said persons as presiding judge; the said judges to be legal voters of the precinct for which they shall respectively be appointed, and to hold office for the term of one year from and after the date of their appointment, and for so much longer time as they may be willing and the said board may see fit; subject, however, to removal at any time by the said board; but each and every person so appointed shall, unless excused or removed by the said board, or disqualified by ill health, or otherwise according to law, be bound to serve as such judge for the term of one year as aforesaid when appointed, once in every five years if required, and in case of refusal so to do, shall be liable to a penalty of five hundred dollars, recoverable by the said board by civil action, in the name of the State; and a failure to attend at any election during said term, unless prevented by sickness or other sufficient cause, shall be deemed a refusal within the meaning of this section.

206\*. The said board shall have power and authority, and it shall be their duty to fill all vacancies which may be caused among the said judges by death, disqualification, refusal to act, or otherwise, and to appoint successors from time to time to those judges whose term of service shall be about to expire or shall have expired, or whom they shall remove; and every judge so appointed shall hold his office for the term of one year, subject to the conditions hereinbefore provided.

207\*. The said judges of election, and each of them, are made conservators of the peace while they shall be acting as such judges, and shall have full power and authority, and are hereby respectively commanded to preserve the peace at and about the places of voting of their respective precincts from the time that the polls shall have been opened therein until the returns of the votes taken at any election therein shall have been made; and they, and each of them, shall have full power, and it shall be their duty to keep the polls of their respective precincts clear, or cause them to be kept clear, so that ingress thereto and egress therefrom shall be free and unobstructed to the voters; and to prevent and suppress riots, tumult, violence, disorder and all other improper practices, tending to the intimidation or obstruction of voters, or the disturbance or interruption of elections.