

ballots shall not be read to such voter, nor shall any suggestion of any kind be made by either of said two clerks to show him as to how his ballot is to be marked, but the only assistance which it shall be lawful for the clerks to give him is to mark the ballot as he, without prompting or suggestion from them, or either of them, shall direct; but no ballot shall be marked under this section until a majority of the judges of election shall be satisfied of the truth of the fact stated in such affidavit. Voters who are not disabled by blindness or physical injury from marking their ballots shall not be entitled to receive assistance in marking them. And with the exception in favor of persons blind or incapable from physical injury of marking their ballots without assistance, no distinction or discrimination in the matter of assistance in marking ballots shall be made for or against any duly registered voter for any other cause whatever.

Ballots must not be read to voter nor suggestion made.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That Section 66 of said Article 33, title "Elections," sub-title "Count of Ballot," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, so to read as follows:

66. The judges shall then open the ballot-box and count and announce the whole number of ballots in the box. They shall reject any ballots which are deceitfully folded together, and any ballots which do not have endorsed thereon the name or initials of the judge who held the ballots. If the voter has marked more names than there are persons to be elected to an office, or if there shall be any mark on the ballot other than the cross mark in a square opposite to the name of a candidate, or other than the name or names of any candidate written by the voter on the ballot as provided in Section 49, his ballot shall not be counted. Ballots not counted for such defects shall be marked "Defective" on the back thereof, and shall be wrapped in a separate package and returned to the ballot-box as hereinafter directed. No vote shall be counted for any candidate opposite whose name no cross mark shall be placed. They shall open the ballots, and all of them shall be canvassed separately by one of the judges sitting between two other judges, which judge shall call out each name and the office for which it is designated, and the other judges looking at the ballot at the same time, and the clerks making tally of the same. When all the ballots have been canvassed in this manner, the election clerks shall compare their tallies together and ascertain the total number of votes received by each candidate, and when they agree upon the numbers, one

Counting and rejection of ballots.

Three judges to count.