

so by law in some legal proceedings, and I will in all things faithfully execute the duties of my office of ballot-clerk according to the best of my knowledge, without favor or partiality, so help me God ;” the obligation to serve as such ballot-clerks, and the penalty for refusal to serve shall be the same as provided by law in regard to judges of election in like case ; any person having served as ballot-clerk shall not be obliged to serve again for three years thereafter ; warrants shall be issued to said ballot-clerks in the same manner and by the same persons as to the judges of election ; the two ballot-clerks appointed above for each ward, shall on the morning of the election and after the ballots have been opened by the return judges, receive the same from the judges of election and have charge thereof ; and shall furnish them to the voters in the manner hereinafter set forth ; if any ballot-clerk, or other officer of election shall fail to appear at the opening of the polls, or be, or become unable to serve, the vacancy shall be filled by the board of supervisors of election immediately upon the fact of said vacancy being called to their attention or by any one of said supervisors of election, if at the time of notice of such vacancy, said board of supervisors be not in session.

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161 OO. The said board of supervisors of election shall cause each polling place to be suitably provided with a sufficient number of voting shelves or compartments to be furnished by the County Commissioners of Washington County, together with the necessary rails and tables, at or in which voters may conveniently mark their ballots, so that in marking thereof they may be in sight; but be screened from the observation of others, and a guard rail shall be so constructed and placed that only such persons as are inside said rail can approach within six feet of the ballot boxes, and of such voting shelves or compartments ; the arrangements shall be such that neither the ballot boxes nor the voting shelves or compartments shall be hidden from view of those just outside the said guard rail ; the number of such voting shelves or compartments shall not be less than one for every one hundred voters qualified to vote at such polling place, no persons other than the said election officers and voters admitted as herein provided, shall be admitted within said rail except election police appointed by the judges of election, for the sole purpose of keeping order and enforcing the law ; the number of such election police shall be such as said judges of election shall determine, and their compensation shall be the same as that of the judges of election ; each voting shelf or compartment shall be kept provided by the ballot clerks with proper supplies and conveniences for marking the ballots, and each ballot shall be marked by the