

tered before them, and to receive petitions of candidacy for the office of Mayor, Treasurer and Councilmen.

The said Committee shall post the notices of election and sample ballots in this Act provided for, on or before May 17, 1941, and shall on May 19, 1941, between the hours of 1 P. M. and 9 P. M. hold an election for the first Mayor, Treasurer and Councilmen in the manner and form prescribed herein for general town elections, except that said Committee shall canvass the votes and publicly announce the results thereof, and file their returns with the Town Clerk as soon as practicable after he or she has been appointed and qualified. The candidates for Mayor and Treasurer receiving the largest number of votes in the town respectively, and the candidate for Councilman from each ward receiving the largest number of votes from that particular ward shall be declared by said Committee to be duly elected to the respective offices, and upon their taking the oath of office they shall become the Mayor and Town Council for said town. In case this Act should not be approved by the Governor before April 27, 1941, the said Committee shall change the dates fixed in this and the preceding section to approximately one month later, on which changed dates they shall perform the enumerated duties.

In case of a tie the remaining members of the Mayor and Town Council shall order a new election for that particular office as in this Act provided for.

The Mayor and Town Council may make their first tax levy of not to exceed 20 cents on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation, on or before June 16, 1941, for the partial tax year ending December 31, 1941, which taxes shall be due on July 1st, 1941, and shall become delinquent and bear interest at the same time as provided for town taxes generally in this Act.

SEC. 38. That should any section, sections, or part or parts of a section of this Act be held invalid for any reason whatever, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any remaining section or part of a section of this Act, it being the legislative intent that the remainder of this Act shall stand and would have been passed notwithstanding such invalidity or elimination of any portion or portions hereof.

SEC. 39. That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 26, 1941.