BILL

No. of 1920.

An Act to amond the Acts constituting the Edmonton Charter.

(Assemted to

.1920.)

WHERMAS a petition has been presented by the City of Edmonton for the amendment of The Edmonton Charter:

AND WHEREAS it is reasonable that the prayer of the said petition should be granted;

Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Prevince of Alberta, enacts as follows:

The Edmenton Charter is hereby smeaded as fellows:

1. By repealing section 21 and by substituting therefor the following:-

Qualifications for mayor and aldermen. 21. No person shall be eligible for election as mayor or alderman unless he or she is a natural born or naturalized subject of His Majesty, of the full age of twenty-one years, able to read and write the English or French language, not subject to any disqualification under this Act and is a resident elector of the City.

## VOTERS LISTS.

2. By repealing the sections substituted by section 15 of Chapter 24 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1915, for sections 85 and 86 as amended by section 2 of Chapter 52 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1918, and by substituting therefor the following:-

Mede of preparing list of electors in years in which civic census is taken. referred to in section 18 of the Edmenten Charter, the enumerators taking the same shall prepare lists of the residents of the City duly qualified to vote, placing thereon the name of the elector with his place of residence or address. From said lists and from an inspection of the assessment rolls of the City, the assessor, or such other person as the council may appeint, shall every year before the 31st day of August prepare a list of electors in alphabetical order in their proper polling subdivisions, to be fixed by the council as hereinafter provided under section 93, a separate list to be prepared for each subdivision, which list shall state the name and place of residence or address of each elector.

Precedure when no census taken.

- 2. In the event of no census being taken, the assessor or other person charged with the preparation of the list of electors shall proceed as nearly as possible in the manner aforesaid and the council shall make provision for the menies required for the preparation of the list of electors.
- 3. If the person entitled to vote is a resident of the City his name shall be placed in the pelling subdivision in which he resides. If he be not a resident of the City his name may be placed in any pelling subdivision in which he is assessed for land.

Notice
of completion
of list
to be
published.

4. The assesser or other person shall upon the completion of said list of electors publish once a week for two
consecutive weeks in a newspaper or newspapers published in
the City of Edmonton, a notice stating that such list has
been prepared and may be inspected at the said civic effices.

3. By inserting therein immediately after section 124, the fellowing sections:

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apply only to railway employees, commercial travellers and other persons whose employment or calling is such as to necessitate from time to time their absence from their place of residence and are qualified electors of the City of Edmonton and who have reason to believe that they will be absent from their place of residence during the whole of the time fixed for election, voting of burgesses or taking of a plebiscite.

- 2. For the purpose of mabling every such person to vote as aforesaid, the returning efficer shall establish a special pelling booth, which pelling booth shall be centrally located so as to suit the convenience of the voters.
- 3. Except as here in previded, the pell se held at every such pelling beeth shall be conducted in the same manner as provided for the conduct of other pells in an election, voting of burgesses or taking of a plebiscite.
- 4. The pell at such pelling beeth shall be kept open between the hours of one e'clock in the afterneon and six o'clock in the afterneon of the Friday immediately preceding the day of election, voting of burgesses or taking of a plebiscite.
- 5. Every person applying to vote at any such polling booth before being permitted to do so shall be required by the deputy returning officer in charge of the poll, to make

and sign the following affidavit or affirmation, which shall be kept by the deputy returning officer with the other records of the poll.

"Canada
"Province of Alberta"
"To Wit:

"Returning Officer (or Deputy "Returning Officer)."

6. The returning officer, or deputy returning officer, may take such affidavit or affirmation, and any person signing

same, knowing that any statements therein are false, shall be liable on summary conviction thereof, to a penalty of not less than \$25.00 and not more than \$100.00.

- 7. The returning efficer shall as early as reasonably possible during the merning of the polling or veting day, deliver to each deputy returning officer a list of all electors or burgesses who have voted at the said special polling booth.
- 8. All proceedings in the opinion of the council of the City of Edmonton necessary or expedient to give full effect to this section shall be deemed authorized notwithstanding any inconsistencies that may appear between this section and any other portion of The Edmonton Charter and amondments thereto.

Ambulatory poll to be provided for hospital patients.

- 124b. In addition to the polls, otherwise provided for, the returning officer shall provide an ambulatory poll by appointing a special deputy returning officer, and such other assistant officers as he shall think necessary, who shall be provided with copies of all voters or burgesses lists with all necessary forms and ballot boxes.
- 2. Such deputy shall during the hours the polls are open visit all hospitals (except the Isolation Hospital or such other hospitals as may be under quarantine) and shall therein take the votes of all electors or burgesses who by reason of illness are unable to attend at their proper polling places. The votes of such electors shall be taken as nearly as the circumstances will permit in the same manner as at the regular polling stations.

By repealing section 16 as amended by section 1 of Chapter 28, 1916, and by substituting therefor the fellowing:

Mayor to hold office for two years.

- Commencing at the 1920 annual election, the mayor shall be elected biamnually by a general vote of the electors of the City in the manner hereinafter provided. He shall hold office for two years, but he may be re-elected.
  - By adding to section 233 the following: <u>5.</u>

Special license for trucks.

- (3) The council may also license as a special class the owners or operators of trucks propelled by any motive power whatever and may fix the license fee according to the tennage, width of tyre or upon any such other principle This special license fee shall not be as it shall see fit. setoff against any business tax or any business tax against it. All monies received from such licenses shall be expended upon the improvement of the main arteries of traffic leading out of the city.
- By inserting immediately before the provise to <u>6</u>. section 239s, the following subsection:

Where several classes of business carried on to be closed prohibited classes only.

2. Where more than one class of manufacture. business, trade, profession, calling, occupation or means of livelihood is carried on, the factory, office, store, shop or place shall be closed in solfar as relates to each class of as to the manufacture, business, trade, profession, calling, occupation or means of livelihood, at: the hour and during the time when any such bylaw requires the factory, office, shop or place in which the class of marufacture, business, trade, profession,

calling, occupation or means of livelihood in question is carried on to be closed.

7. By inserting after section 239b, the following section:

"Closed" defined.

expression "closed" means not open for the serving or attending to the wants of any customer in whole or in part or open
for the employment of any person engaged in the carrying on
of the manufacture, business, trade, profession, calling,
occupation or means of liveliheod in respect of which the
premises are required to be closed.

8. By inserting immediately after section 298 the following section:

Council
may apply
to Minister for
certificate of
approval
of money
bylaws.

298s. The council may in respect of any bylaw herete fore or hereafter passed for contracting a debt or incurring a liability or for borrowing money, apply to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for Alberta for a certificate approving the bylaw.

Certificate not to be granted while proceedings pending. 2. No certificate shall be gram ted while amy action or proceeding in which the validity of the bylaw is called in question or by which it is sought to quash it is pending, nor until two months after the final passing of the bylaw unless notice of the application shall be given in such manner and to such persons, if any, as the Minister may direct.

Form of certifi-

3. The certificate may be in either of the following forms:

In pursuance of section 298a of The Edmonton Chater
the Minister of Municipal Affairs hereby certifies that the
within bylaw is valid and binding and that its validity is
not open to question in any court on any ground whatever.

Dated this ...... day of ......... 19 . (Seal)

Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Impursuance of section 298s of The Edmonton Charter
the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs hereby certifies
that the within bylaw is valid and binding and that its
validity is not open to question in any court on any ground
whatever.

Dated this...... day of .......... 19

Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Whom copy of bylaw to be sent to Minister. 4. If the council intends to apply for a certificate approving a bylaw it shall forward a copy thereof to the Minister before it is submitted to a vote of the burgesses or if such bylaw does not require to be submitted to the burgesses, after the first reading thereof.

may grant certificate upon proof of compliance with law. 298b. The Minister may grant the certificate notwithstanding any defect or irregularity in substance or in form in the proceedings prior to the final passing of the bylaw or in the bylaw itself if in the opinion of the said Minister the provisions of the Act under the authority of which the bylaw was assumed to be passed have been substantially complied with.

After Ministers approval bylaw and debentures become incontestable. 298c. Every bylaw approved by the certificate of the Minister and the debentures issued or which may thereafter be issued in conformity with its provisions shall be valid and binding upon the city and upon the property liable to the rate imposed by or under the authority of the bylaw and the validity of the hylaw and of every such debenture shall not thereafter be open to question in any court.

Debentures incontestable if one year's interest paid. 298d. Where in the case of any bylaw heretofore or hereafter passed by the council, the interest for one year or more on the debentures issued under such bylaw or the principal of the matured debentures (if any) is or shall have been paid by the city, the bylaw and the debentures issued thereunder remaining unpaid, shall be valid and binding upon the city and shall not be open to question in any court.

Countersigning dobeatures by Minister.

provisions hereof the Minister may upon application of the council countersign any debenture or debentures issued or which may thereafter be issued under the authority of the bylaw and such countersigning by the Minister shall, not-withstanding anything to the contrary in this Act, be conclusive evidence of the validity of such debenture or debentures and the legality of the issue of such debenture or debentures shall be thereby conclusively established and its or their validity shall not be open to question in any court; and every such debenture so countersigned shall be valid and

rate imposed by or under authority of the bylaw and the signature of the Minister may be written or stamped on the debentures. The Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs shall have the power, equally with the Minister, to grant any of the certificates or countersign any of the debentures referred to in the foregoing sections.

9. By inserting therein immediately after section 415 the following:-

Cutting grass etc. may be done as local improvement without petition or advertising.

- 416. Notwithstanding the provisions of this part of this Act, the council may by bylaw direct that the cost of the cutting of grass or weeds or the trimming of trees or shrubbery within any defined area of the city during any year, shall, be borne by the lands abutting upon the streets, lanes or alleys whereon the said works or any of them are done.
  - 2: Upon the completion of any such work the cost thereof shall be certified by the official in charge thereof to the assessor, who shall apportion the cost as if a special frontage assessment and report the same to the council, who may direct that the whole or any part of such costs shall be assessed against the lands set out in the assessor's return and the proper share of the cost or such portion thereof as the council shall direct shall thereupon be placed upon the tax roll for the them current or next succeeding year as special taxes against each parcel of said lands.

Income tax allowance re dependent children.

- 10. By repealing subsections 4 and 5 of section 14 of Chapter 56 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1919.
- 11. By striking out subsections (1) and (2) of Section 535 as amended by section 16 of Chapter 56 of the Statutes of Alberta 1919, and by substituting therefor the following:

Income tax 535. From and after the passing of this Act, subto be
perpermanent

be assessed, levied and paid upon the annual income of every
person residing or ominarily resident or carrying on any
business in the city, the following taxes:

Schedule of taxation.

- On the first \$1,000.00 of taxable income or any part thereof, one per centum:
- On the next \$1,000.00 of taxable income or any part thereof, one and one-half per centum;
- On the next \$1,000.00 of taxable income or any part thereof, two per centum:
- On the next \$2,000.00 of texable income or any part thereof, three per centum;
- On the next \$5,000.00 of taxable income or any part thereof. five per centum:
- On all taxable income in excess of \$10,000.00, eight per centum.
- Exemptions. 1. Income shall be exempt from taxation under this part as follows:
  - (a) Of an unmarried individual or a widow or widower without dependents, \$1,500.00;

- (b) Of a husband and wife living together as a family unit. \$2.500.00:
  - (c) Of all other individuals, \$2,500.00.
- 12. By adding to subsection (3) of said section 535 as amended by subsection 3 of section 16 of the Statutes of Alberta 1919, the following:

Set off against land taxes to apply to husband and wife. Provided further that the above right of setoff shall apply so that husband or wife may set off against any such tax paid by the other of them.

- 13. By repealing paragraph (h) of section 536.
- 14. By repealing section 534 as amended by section 15 of Chapter 56 of the Statutes of Alberta 1919, and by substituting therefor the following:

Repeal of sections exempting Banks, etc. from City Income Tax and making the same subject to the tax.

having their head office or principal place of business outside of the City but carrying on business therein or therefrom either directly or through or in the name of any other person, the income shall be the net profit or gain arising from the business of such person centrelled, conducted or carried on in or from the City of Edmonton; Provided however that in the case of banks such income shall for the purposes of this part of this Act be deemed to be two per centum of the average for the year of the deposit in the Edmonton branch or branches; in the case of telegraph and express companies, ten per centum of the gross receipts for the year from tells and charges collected at their office or offices in the City of Edmonton; in the case of railways companies in respect of the in

passenger, freight and other transportation charges, two
per centum of their gross receipts at the effice in the
City from passenger, freight and other transportation
charges; In the case of every other branch where no separate
profit and loss account is available, the net income shall be
deemed to be temper centum of the gross business of the
Edmonton branch; if, however, the person assessed can show
to the satisfaction of the collector that his or its net
profit of the Edmonton branch is less than temper centum
of the gross business thereof, the net income shall be the
actual profit shown by such person, but in no case shall it
be deemed to be less than five per centum of the gross
business.

factory in the city with sales branches outside, there shall in addition to the above be paid a tax on the manufacturer's profit, which for the purposes of this part of this Act shall be deemed to be five per feature on the difference between the cost of raw material plus costs of production and overhead expenses and the fair wholesale value of the products mean-factured.

Present scale of business tex made permanent.

15. By inserting between the figures "1919" and the word "the" in the first line of the paragraph substituted by section 62 of Chapter 52, 1918, for paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 3 of Chapter 46, 1917, the words "and in each year thereafter."

Correction of error.

16. By striking out the word "eighteen" where it occurs in section 10 of Chapter 56, 1919, and by substituting therefor the word "nineteen."

City may sell lands at actual cost or at last assessed value or rest on 6% returm.

17. Section 15 of Chapter 32 of the Statutes of Alberta
1913 (Second Session), is amended by repealing the third
proviso therein and by substituting the following:

And provided further that the city may sell to any person, firm or corporation, land at any sum not less than the actual cost thereof to the city, plus interest at six per centum per annum from the date of purchase, or acquisition. to the date of sale, or the value thereof according to the last revised assessment roll, whichever may be the lesser, or lease for such purposes any lands, buildings or portion thereof to any person, firm or corporation at a rent not less than a sum equivalent to six per centum per amum of the assessed value thereof according to the last revised assessment roll: and may also sell, distribute or deliver to any person, firm or corporation, light, heat, power, water, gas, oil, electricity or coal at any price not less then the actual cost thereof to The above provisions shall not apply to lands acthe city. quired by the city by means of tax sale proceedings. council may sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any lands so acquired by auction or private treaty upon such terms and conditions and for such price as it shall consider fair.

Mot to apply to lands acquired at tax sales.

18. By repealing section 1 of Chapter 24, 1915, and by substituting therefor the following:

The Board shall consist of one resident elector of

tion of Board of Police.

Constitu- the City of Edmonton to be appointed by the Attorney-General of the Province of Alberta, the mayor of the City of Edmonton and an alderman of the City to be appointed annually at the first meeting of the council in January by resolution of the council. Two members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. In the event of the member of the Board who is also an alderman failing to accept office. dying or resigning from the said Board or upon his ceasing from any cause to be an alderman, the council may appoint any one of its members to act in his place for the balance of the year in which such vacancy In the event of the absence from the city of the mayor or in the event of the mayor declining to act or his office being vacant, the deputy mayor or acting mayor shall be a member in his place. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of commissioner appointed by the Attorner-General through him declining to act, being absent from the city or through death or resignation, the Attorney-General shall appoint some other resident elector of the city to act permanently or temporarily as the case may be.

> "Year" shall mean the period from which one council takes office until the new council takes office as provided by the provisions of the Edmonton Charter, and during the year 1920 shall mean the period from the appointment of commissioners in the manner aforesaid until the new council takes office in the year 1921.

> Upon the appointment of the new Board as aforesaid the present Board shall cease to hold office.

19. By repealing section 79 of Chapter 28, 1916, and substituting therefor the fellowing:

Next and succeeding elections to be conducted upon the principle of proportional representation.

mayor, aldermen and school trustees for both the Public and Separate School Boards shall be elected by proportional representation system of voting or the preferential system of voting or by any other system of voting whether a medification of such systems or not: and the council may by bylaw from time to time adopt any such system and make all rules and provisions that may be deemed necessary or advantageous to render any such system practicable and complete, and any such bylaw may contain clauses or provisions that either expressly or by necessary implication repeal any clauses or provisions of The Edmonton Charter and amendments thereto, inconsistent with the said rules and provisions of any such proposed system.

city to
have representation
without
voting
power on
school and
other
boards.

ex officio member but without voting power of The Board of Trustees of The Edmonton School District No. 7 of the Province of Alberta, The Board of Trustees of the Edmonton Separate School District No. 7 of the Province of Alberta, The Edmonton Hospital Board, The Sinking Fund Trustees of the City of Edmonton, The Board of Directors of the Edmonton Exhibition Association, The Edmonton Board of Public Welfare, and of all Boards of managers or directors of corporations or associations in receipt of, spending or managing any part of the public funds of the City of Edmonton.

Members of all oeiving public civie funds to forfeit office if absent from 3 consecutive meetings.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any Statute. 21. boards re- ordinance, bylaw or the provisions of any constitution or other rule of organization of the Local Board of Health of the City of Edmonton. The Edmonton Library Board. The Edmonton Hospital Board. The Board of Directors of Public Welfare and all other Boards of managers or directors of corporations or associations receiving grants from the Public Runds of the City of Edmonton, every director or member of any of the aforesaid Boards who shall be absent from three consecutive meetings thereof shall (unless such absence shall be caused through illness or be authorized by a resolution of the Board entered upon its minutes) ipso facto forfeit his office and another member shall be elected or appointed in his place for the remainder of his term of office, provided that the member so forfeiting his office shall be eligible for re-election or re-appointment.

Franchise of Northern Alberta Natural opment Co.Ltd. within City to Cease upon certain conditions.

22. Whereas by a certain agreement validated by and printed as part of Chapter 29 of the Statutes of Alberta. Gas Devel- 1916, and made between the City of Edmonton and the Northern Alberta Natural Gas Devolopment Company, Limited, it is pro-"The company will have so far completed its pipe line vided: and distributing system as to be ready to deliver gas to consumers in the city within two years from the final execution hereof on behalf of the city. If it fails to do so the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) a day shall be payable to the city as liquidated damages for such additional time not exceeding six months as such failure continues, and if such failure continues for more than two years and six months

from such final execution thereof unless such time has been extended by the council of the city, all the exclusive rights and privileges hereby granted to the company may at the option of the city cease and determine:"

And whereas the said company has not complied in many respects with the said conditions:

It is therefore enacted and declared that unless the said company shall within three months from the coming into force of this act have its pipe line and distributing system so far completed as to be ready to deliver gas to consumers in the city, the council may after one month's notice to the company by resolution declare all rights, powers and privileges granted to the company by said agreement to be at an end and determined, and the said agreement and everything therein contained shall from the passing of such resolution become null. void and at an emd, and the said resolution may be made an order or judgment of the Supreme Court of the Province of Alberta and enforced in the same manner as an order or judgment of the said court.

The passing of this section shall be deemed to be remedial and in addition to any rights, powers and remedies of the city under the said agreement and not in substitution for the same or any of them.

Council may withof burge 88 e8 lease Strathcona

23. The council without referring the matter to the out assent burgesses, may (with the consent of the Governors of the University of Alberta) lease to His Majesty or to the

Government of Canada or any Department thereof for the

Hospital
to Dept.
of
Soldiers'
Civil ReEstablishment for
2 years.

Borrow \$200,000

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Hospital

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from Governuse of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment the civic hospital commonly known as the "Strathcona Hospital" for a period of two years from the first day of January, 1920. upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, and may lease or otherwise provide hospital accommodation after the expiration of said term for the purposes of said Depart-And the council is hereby authorized, without referring ment. the question to the burgesses, to borrow for the purpose of completing a wing to the Royal Alexandra Hospital from the said Government or any Department thereof, the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) to be repayable in five equal annual payments with interest at the rate of five and one-half per centum per annum, payable yearly, and for the purpose of securing repayment of the said sum may without the assout of the burgesses and without complying with the provisions of the Public Utilities Act of the Province of Alberta. issue and deliver to His Hajesty debentures of the city in such denominations as may be agreed upon aggregating the said sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200.000.00). The rest payable for said hospital or such other hespital accommodation as may be provided shall be set off annually

RECALS, REFERENDUM AND INITIATIVE.

against the monies accruing by reason of the said debentures.

Holders of elective offices may be re-called.

24. The holder of any elective office, whether mayor, aldernan or school trustee, may be removed at any time by the electors duly qualified to vote for a successor of such

Petition therefor

The procedure to effect the renoval of an incumbent. incumbent of an elective office shall be as follows: petition signed by electors entitled to vote for a successor to the incumbent sought to be removed. Equal in number to at least thirty-five per centum of the entire vote for all candidates for the office of mayor in the city at the last general municipal election at which a vote was taken demanding an election of a successor of the person sought to be removed shall be filed with the cityclerk, which petition shall contain a clear statement of the grounds or reasons for which the removal is sought; but no potition shall be filed until at least ninety days efter the day upon which the holder of

No petition to be filed till 90 days after incombent takos

office.

office proposed to be recalled has entered upon the duties of his office. There may be one or more copies of the petition and each signer shall add to his signature his place of residence, giving his street and number. One of the signers of each paper chall make oath before an officer compotent to edminister oaths that the statements therein made are true as he believes, and that each signature to the paper appended is the genuine signature of the person who se name it purports to be. Within ten days from the filing of such petition the city clerk shall examine and from the votors' list ascertain whether or not the said petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified electors, and if necessary the council shall allow him extra help for that purpose: and he shall attach to such

City Clerk to examine petition

and certify same.

petition his certificate showing the result of the said

Amended petition.

examination. If by the clerk's certificate the petition is shown to be insufficient, it may be amended within ten days from the date of said certificate. The clerk shall within ten days after such amendment make like examination of the amended petition, and if a certificate shall show the same to be insufficient it shall be returned to the person filing the same, without prejudice, however, to the filing of a new petition to the same effect. If the petition shall be deemed to be sufficient the clerk shall submit the

Petition shall be deemed to be sufficient the clerk shall submit the to be submitted same to the council without delay, with his certificate

to Council. attached thereto certifying that it is sufficient. If the petition shall be found to be in accordance with the require-

Council ments hereof the council shall order and fix a date for hold-to fix date of ing the said election not less than thirty days or more than new election. forty days from the date of the eleck's certificate to the

No. reno such election shall be held within ninety days from the call
election date of the municipal general elections, but shall be held
to be
held on the date of such elections if it would otherwise fall
within 90

days of within ninety days of such date. general

municipal election

2. The council shall make or cause to be made publition

cation of notice and all arrangements for holding such

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acts necessary
the result thereof declared in all respects as are other
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Insum- decessor. Any person sought to be removed can be a candidate bent may seek re- to succeed himself, and unless he requests otherwise in writing election.

shall hold of fice during the unexpired form of his pre-

the clock shall place his name on the official ballot without nomination. In any much removal election the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In any such removal election if there be only one office to be filled the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be deleared elected but if there be more than one office of the mane class to be filled the removal election shall be conducted and the candidates elected according to the proportional system herein set out. At such election if some person other than the incumbent is elected, the incombent shall thereupon be deemed removed. from the office upon qualification of his successor. In case the person shall fail to qualify within ten days after receiving notification of election the office shall be deemed vacant. If the incumbent is elected on such re-call election he shall continue in office.

a notice of intention to institute such proceedings shall be given by the person or persons who intend to institute some to the city clerk, who shall forthwith notify the person whose recall is sought for, and the petition or petitions shall be filed with the said clerk not earlier than thirty days and not later than sixty days from the date of the filing of the said notice, and failure to give such notice or to file the petition or petitions within the said time shall render the said proceedings mall and void.

Bylaws may be initiated by petition.

25. Any proposed bylaw, other than a bylaw for local improvement purposes, may be submitted to the council by petition signed by not less than twenty-five per cent. of those entitled to vote thereon according to the last revised voters' list. The signatures, verification, authentication, inspection, amendment and certificate of the city cleak shall be the same as provided in the preceding section.

If such proposed bylaw falls within the legislative juris-

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Recal l proceedings to

apply.

If such proposed bylaw falls within the legislative jurisdiction of the council, such council shall -

pass bylaw

(a) Pass same without amendment or alteration other than to correct irregularities or defects therein or to draft or put same into proper form;

or submit same to burgesses

or at the general municipal elections such proposed bylaw to be voted on by the burgesses, such vote to be held in every way as in the case of a vote on money bylaws; provided if such proposed bylaw does not involve the expenditure of money all persons qualified to vote at an election for mayor may vote thereon and a clear summary of the purpose and terms of the proposed bylaw with the date and hours of the poll and the polling places inserted

once each week for two weeks in one newspaper

published in the city shall be sufficient ad-

or electors

If two-thirds In case two-thirds of the vote recorded at such poll is of voters in favor, council in favor of the proposed bylaw as certified to by the must pass bylaw

vertisement of same.

Any bylaw so passed not to be repealed or amended without being re-submitted.

city clerk, the council shall immediately thereafter pass the said bylaw and any bylaw so passed shall not be repealed or smeaded without the question of such repeal or such amendment thereto being submitted to a vote on any date when any other bylaw or bylaws are being voted on or at a general election, whichever shall be first, under the same procedure as near as may be to that followed in the passing of the said bylaw, except that the council may without any petition as aforesaid submit the question of such repeal or any amendment for such vote.

No bylaw except roferrod bylaws or emergency bylaws to go into effect for 10 days.

If potition is filed against passage operation suspended

26. No bylaw passed by the council except when otherwise required by general law or by the provisions of this Act. except a bylaw for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, which contains a statement of its argency and is passed by a twothirds vote of the council, shall go into effect before the expiration of ten days from the date of its final passage, and if during said ten days a potition signed by electors of the city equal in number to at least twenty per centum of the entire vote cast for all candidates for mayor at the last general municipal election at which a vote was taken protesting against the passage of such bylaw, be presented to the council. the same shall thereupon be snapended from going into operation and it shall be the daty of the council to reconsider such bylaw; and if the same is not entitely

am council may repeal or refer repealed the council shall submit the bylaw as is provided by the next preceding section hereof to the vote of the persons qualified to vote thereon, and such bylaw shall not go into effect or become operative unless a majority of the qualified persons voting on the same shall vote in favor thereof. Said petition shall be in all respects in accordance with the requirements of section 24 hereof, except as to the persontage of signatures thereto, and shall be examined and certified to by the city clerk in all respects as therein provided.

THIRD SESSION

FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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