

1892, ch. 55, sec. 161PP.

306. Any person desiring to vote, shall give his name, and if requested so to do, his residence, to one of the ballot clerks to be designated for this purpose by the judges, who shall thereupon announce the same in a loud and distinct tone of voice, and if such name is found by the judges of election upon the list of registered voters, the voter shall be allowed to enter the space enclosed by the guard rail as above provided; a ballot clerk shall give him one and only one ballot; before handing the ballot to the voter the ballot clerk shall place his own initials immediately beneath the fac-simile signature, and so that the same will plainly appear when the ballot shall have been folded as required by the next section; besides the election officers not more than four voters in excess of the number of voting shelves or compartments provided shall be allowed in said enclosed space at one time.

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307. On receipt of his ballot the voter shall forthwith and without leaving the enclosed space return alone to one of the voting shelves or compartments, and shall prepare his ballot by making in the appropriate margin or place a cross mark (X), opposite the name of the candidate of his choice for each office to be filled; and in case of a question submitted to the vote of the people, by making in the appropriate margin or place a cross (X) against the answer which he desires to give; in marking such a ballot any voter shall be at liberty to use or copy any unofficial sample ballot which he may choose to mark or to have had marked in advance of entering the polling place or booth to assist him in marking the official ballot, but no voter shall be at liberty to use or bring into the polling place any unofficial sample ballot printed upon paper, the color and quality now required to be used for the printing of the ballots under this article; before leaving the voting shelf or compartments the voter shall fold his ballot without displaying the cross marks thereon in the same way it was folded when received by him, and so that the initials of the ballot clerk shall appear and he shall keep the same so folded until he has voted; he shall vote in the manner provided in this article, leaving the enclosed space, and shall hand his ballot to the judge of election with the official endorsement uppermost; he shall mark and deposit his ballot without undue display, and shall quit said enclosed space as soon as he has voted; no voter shall be allowed to occupy a voting shelf or compartment already occupied by another, nor to occupy a voting shelf or compartment for more than five minutes, in case of all such shelves or compartments are in use, and other voters are waiting to occupy the same; no voter waiting his turn or other shall overlook or converse with any voter while he is engaged in the said compartment or voting shelf; no voter not being one of said election officers, whose name has been checked on the registry by the judges shall be allowed to re-enter said enclosed space during said election; it shall be the duty of the judges of election to secure the observance of the provisions of this section and of other sections relating to the duties of the ballot clerk, voters and others in and about the polling rooms.