

## A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO PRESCRIBE THE TIMES OF THE ELECTION OF MAYORS, TREASURERS, ASSESSOR, SOLICITOR AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS, AMENDATORY TO SECTIONS 518, 521, 532 AND 390, OF THE CODE OF 1873.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :*

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2 be elected biennially in cities of the second class, by the qualified electors of the city. They  
3 shall be qualified electors and shall reside within the limits of the city, and they shall hold  
4 their respective offices for the term for which they have been elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. The terms of office for the mayor, treasurer, assessor and solicitor shall be two  
2 years, and that of the members of the council shall be four years, and the first election  
3 under this act shall be held on the first Monday of March, 1887.

SEC. 3. On the first Monday of March, 1887, the qualified electors of each ward shall elect  
2 by a plurality of votes two members of the council, who shall be residents and qualified  
3 electors of the ward. The councilmen of each ward elected as above prescribed, shall at  
4 the first meeting of the council of such city, determine by lot their respective terms of ser-  
5 vice, one of whom shall serve for two years, and the other for four years, or until their suc-  
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SEC. 5. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Leader and Iowa State Register, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.