

District for which the Election is held ; and the laws then in force with respect to Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly, and to the issuing and return of Writs of Election, the powers and duties of Returning Officers and their Deputies, and of Election and Poll Clerks, the prevention or punishment of offences committed at or in respect of such Elections, and to all proceedings at Elections or matters connected with or incidental to such Elections, shall extend and apply to Elections of Members of the Legislative Council as fully as to Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly, and shall be construed as having been enacted with respect to Elections of Members of the Legislative Council, except only in so far as they may be inconsistent with this Act, or as may be otherwise provided by Act of the Legislature of this Province ; Provided that the day of the return of the Writs for the election of twenty Members in the first instance, or after a dissolution of the said Council the day of the return of the Writs for a General Election of Members thereof, shall be at all then future times the day regulating the return of the Writs for the election of twenty new Members in every second year thereafter, unless such return of the Writs may in any such year be postponed and fixed by the Governor of this Province, to any day not being more than fourteen days after the recurrence in that year of the date of the original return day above, referred to as regulating the time of such elections : and the twenty elected Members retiring in any year shall retire on the day before the day of the return of the Writs for the election of Members to replace them ; but Members so retiring may be re-elected at that or at any other election : Provided always that when in any Electoral District there may be more than one person qualified and bound to act as Returning Officer by virtue of his office and under the laws in force concerning the elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly for any portion of the said Electoral District, it shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint any of the said persons to act as Returning Officer at any election of Members of the Legislative Council ; and in case of there being no person so qualified in the said Electoral District, or in case of refusal or other impediment, or if all such persons are during the same period acting as Returning Officers at elections of a Member or Members of the Legislative Assembly, it shall then be lawful for the Governor to appoint any other person to act as Returning Officer, being duly qualified as an Elector and not disqualified by law to act as Returning Officer at an election of a Member or Members of the Legislative Assembly for the place where he resides, such place lying wholly or partly within such Electoral District ; and at any such Election of a Member of the Legislative Council, those persons shall be appointed Deputy Returning Officers, who might under the laws then in force be appointed Deputy Returning Officers for the Parishes or Townships, or other subdivisions respectively in and for which polling places are to be opened, but in default of such persons

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