

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 310

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1983

Introduced by Remmers, 1

AN ACT to amend section 17-543, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, relating to cities of the second class and villages; to remove a prohibition on eligibility for the office of water commissioner; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 17-543, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

17-543. The water commissioner shall collect all money received by the city or village on account of its ~~said~~ system of waterworks, and shall faithfully account for and pay over the same to the treasurer of such city or village, taking his or her receipt therefor in duplicate, filing one of the same with the city or village clerk. He or she shall make a detailed report to the city council or board of trustees, at least once every six months, of the condition of the said water system, of all mains, pipes, hydrants, reservoirs, and machinery, and such improvements, repairs, and extension thereof as he or she may think proper. The report shall show the amount of receipts and expenditures on account thereof for the preceding six months. No money shall be expended for improvements, repairs, or extension of the said waterworks system except upon recommendation of the water commissioner. The water ~~commissioners~~ commissioner shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by ordinance. The water commissioner shall be paid such salary as the council or board of trustees may by ordinance provide, and upon his or her written recommendation, the mayor and council or chairperson ~~chairman~~ and board of trustees shall employ such laborers and clerks as may to them seem necessary. Neither the mayor nor ~~or~~ any member of the council in a city of the second class ~~nor the chairman or any member of the board of trustees~~ shall be eligible to the office of water commissioner during the term for which he or she was elected. If the city or village involved owns public utilities other than the waterworks system, and the water commissioner has been

designated by ordinance as the public works commissioner under the authority of section 17-541, then all provisions of this section in reference to a water commissioner shall apply to the public works commissioner.

Sec. 2. That original section 17-543, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, is repealed.