# Chapter 331

# **School District Elections**

## 331.002

ATTY. GEN. OPINIONS: Corrupt practice in school election, 1966-68, p 439; election board on same day serving for school district and regular primary elections, (1968) Vol 34, p 39.

#### 331.010

#### NOTES OF DECISIONS

It is the official duty of a school clerk to post notices for regular and special meetings, and his official record is sufficient evidence of what he did. Amort v. Sch. Dist. 80, (1906) 48 Or 522, 87 P 761.

An alternative writ of mandamus to compel levy of a special school tax failing to show in what three public places notices were posted or that this section had been complied with, was insufficient. Paine v. Wells, (1918) 89 Or 695, 175 P 430.

FURTHER CITATIONS: Zeek v. Union Sch. Dist. 5, (1950) 188 Or 45, 211 P2d 740, 213 P2d 794.

ATTY. GEN. OPINIONS: Computation of notice required for school consolidation election, 1948-50, p 35; effect on consolidation of inadequate notice of meeting at which consolidation is approved, 1948-50, p 48; notice required for election to increase tax levy, 1948-50, p 85; implied repeal by Local Budget Law, 1962-64, p 419; validity of notice of election, 1964-66, p 195; use of district funds to furnish voter information, (1970) Vol 35, p 169.

## 331.020

## NOTES OF DECISIONS

Prior to the 1965 amendment, the power to prescribe the qualifications of voters at school meetings and at elections for district officers is included within the power given the legislature by Ore. Const. Art. VIII, §3, to provide for the establishment of a uniform and general system of common schools. Harris v. Burr, (1898) 32 Or 348, 52 P 17, 39 LRA 768; State v. Hingley, (1898) 32 Or 440, 52 P 89.

In the absence of contrary evidence it is presumed that election officials allowed only those to vote who were qualified. Union Sch. Dist. 5 v. Stanley, (1949) 185 Or 531, 202 P2d 509.

FURTHER CITATIONS: Webb v. Clatsop School Dist. 3, (1950) 188 Or 324, 215 P2d 368.

ATTY. GEN. OPINIONS: Necessity of registration in order to be a qualified voter and eligible for a district office, and effect of qualification of candidate as a qualified voter after the election but before induction into office, 1948-50, p 255; registration of school election voters, 1954-56, p 129; when person becomes a qualified voter, 1966-68, p 399.

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ATTY. GEN. OPINIONS: Registration of school election voters, 1954-56, p 129.

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## NOTES OF DECISIONS

School elections are "legally authorized elections" within the meaning of the criminal statute punishing those offering to vote at such elections. State v. Hingley, (1898) 32 Or 440, 52 P 89.

Under former similar statute in the absence of any showing that, if the election in one of the school districts to form a union high school district had been held strictly in accordance with law, the results of the election as a whole would have been changed so as to defeat the proposal for the organization of the union high school district, the entire proceedings for organization were not vitiated and all subsequent acts of the union high school district were not void. Edwards v. Union High Sch. Dist. 8, (1953) 198 Or 611, 258 P2d 148.

FURTHER CITATIONS: Splonskofsky v. Minto, (1912) 62 Or 560, 568, 126 P 15; Tompkins v. Dist. Boundary Bd., (1947) 180 Or 339, 177 P2d 416; Union Sch. Dist. 5 v. Stanley, (1949) 185 Or 531, 202 P2d 509; School Dist. 1 v. State Bd. of Educ., (1968) 250 Or 133, 441 P2d 243.

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CASE CITATIONS: School Dist. 1 v. State Bd. of Educ., (1968) 250 Or 133, 441 P2d 243.

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elected director in case of tie, 1928-30, p 579; application of the tie provision to non-high school district elections, 1950-52, p 13; procedure to remedy election to form a union high school district where one district failed to conduct a valid election, 1950-52, p 303; county clerk's authority to prescribe form of certificate of nomination, 1966-68, p 268; when person becomes a qualified voter, 1966-68, p 399; election at large or by zone in zoned district, 1966-68, p 583.

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## NOTES OF DECISIONS

School elections are "legally authorized elections" within the meaning of the criminal statute punishing those offering to vote at such elections. State v. Hingley, (1898) 32 Or 440, 52 P 89.

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