

petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified voters. The clerk shall attach to said petition his certificate, showing the result of said examination. If, by the clerk's certificate, the petition is shown to be insufficient, it may be amended within 10 days from the date of said clerk's certificate. The clerk shall, within 10 days after such amendment, make like examination of the amended petition, and if his certificate shall show the same to be insufficient it shall be returned to the person filing the same, without prejudice, however, to the filing of a new petition to the same effect. If the petition is deemed sufficient, the clerk shall submit the same to the council without delay. Within 10 days thereafter, the council shall provide for the submission to the electorate at the next general or special election held not less than 45 days thereafter of the question of repeal of the ordinance described in the petition. The question of repeal or amendment of said ordinance shall be submitted upon a separate ballot which shall summarize the substance of the ordinance proposed to be repealed or amended. If the majority of the electors voting upon the question vote in favor of the repeal of the ordinance, it shall be repealed or amended thereby effective on January 1 of the year next following. Such repeal shall not affect any right accrued, any duty imposed, any penalty incurred, or any proceeding commenced under or by virtue of the ordinance repealed. Any action or proceeding pending to enforce any right under the authority of the ordinance repealed shall and may be proceeded with and concluded under the ordinance in existence when the action or proceeding was instituted, notwithstanding the repeal of such ordinance.

Sec. 3. **Person defined.** Unless the language or context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended, the word "person" as used in this act includes individuals, partnerships, associations, corporations, trustees and receivers.

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CHAPTER 561—H. F. No. 1743

An act relating to the authority of the division of public institutions relating to services for the mentally ill; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.014.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.014, is amended to read:

246.014 Services. The measure of services established and prescribed by section 246.012, are:

(1) There shall be served in state hospitals a single standard of food for patients and employees alike, which is nutritious and palatable together with special diets as prescribed by the medical staff thereof. There shall be a chief dietitian in the division of public institutions and at least one dietitian at each state hospital. There shall be adequate staff and equipment for processing, preparation, distribution and serving of food.

(2) There shall be a staff of persons, professional and lay, sufficient in number, trained in the diagnosis, care and treatment of the mentally ill, physical illness, and including religious and spiritual counsel through qualified chaplains (who shall be in the unclassified service) adequate to take advantage of and put into practice modern methods of psychiatry, medicine and related field.

(3) There shall be a staff and facilities to provide occupational and recreational therapy, entertainment and other creative activities as are consistent with modern methods of treatment and well being.

(4) There shall be in each state hospital for the care and treatment of the mentally ill facilities for the segregation and treatment of patients who have communicable disease.

(5) The director shall provide modern and adequate psychiatric social case work services.

(6) The director shall make every effort to improve the accommodations for patients so that the same shall be comfortable and attractive with adequate furnishings, clothing, and supplies.

(7) *The director shall establish training programs for the training of personnel and may require the participation of personnel in such programs. Within the limits of the appropriations available he may establish professional training programs in the forms of educational stipends for positions for which there is a scarcity of applicants.*

(8) There shall be a separate hospital for the diagnosis, care and treatment of the mentally ill who have tuberculosis which shall conform to the standards established for the diagnosis, care and treatment of physical disease. Pending construction of such separate hospital, one of the present state hospitals, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be set apart for the diagnosis, care and treatment of the mentally ill

who have tuberculosis and shall be staffed and equipped to meet the accepted requirements of modern medicine for the care and treatment of persons afflicted with tuberculosis.

(9) The standards herein established shall be adapted and applied to the diagnosis, care and treatment of senile persons, inebriate persons, mentally deficient persons and epileptic persons who come within those terms as defined in Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 525.749, Subdivisions 4, 5, 6, and 7, respectively, as amended by Laws 1947, Chapter 622, and of persons who are psychopathic personalities within the definition thereof in Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 526.09.

(10) The director shall establish a program of detection, diagnosis and treatment of mentally or nervously ill persons and persons described in paragraph (9), and within the limits of appropriations may establish clinics and staff the same with persons specially trained in psychiatry and related fields.

(11) The director of civil service and the civil service commission may reclassify employees of the mental institutions from time to time, and assign classifications to such salary brackets as will adequately compensate personnel and reasonably assure a continuity of adequate staff.

(12) In addition to the chaplaincy services, provided in Section 246.014, Subdivision 2, the director of public institutions shall open said institutions to ministers of the Gospel to the end that religious and spiritual counsel and services are made available to the patients therein, and shall cooperate with all ministers of the Gospel in making said patients available for religious and spiritual counsel, and shall provide such ministers of the Gospel with meals and accommodations.

(13) Within the limits of the appropriations therefor, the director shall establish and provide facilities and equipment for research and study in the field of modern hospital management, the causes of mental and related illness and the treatment, diagnosis and care of the mentally ill and funds provided therefor may be used to make available services, abilities and advice of leaders in these and related field, and may provide them with meals and accommodations and compensate them for traveling expenses and services.

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