

CHAPTER XXVIII.

*An Act to secure proper commitments to the Minnesota State Reform School.*February 25,
1872.

- SECTION 1. Children under sixteen years of age, convicted of crime punishable by imprisonment, to be sent to state reform school.
2. Commitments for incorrigibility to be made only on proof of two disinterested witnesses, and consent of at least three county commissioners thereto.
 3. In proceedings before a justice, the evidence to be transmitted to the judge of the district court for approval or disapproval.
 4. Parents who are able required to pay for maintenance of children committed for incorrigibility.
 5. When act to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That whenever any infant under the age of sixteen years, shall have been duly convicted, in any of the courts of this state, of any crime punishable by imprisonment, except of the crime of murder, it shall be the duty of the magistrate before whom such conviction is had to commit the said infant so convicted to the guardianship of the board of managers of the Minnesota state reform school.

When children
to be sent to
reform school.

SEC. 2. That no justice of the peace shall have power to commit any infant to said reform school upon a charge of incorrigibility, unless such charge is proved by at least two disinterested witnesses, and no commitment for incorrigibility shall be sufficient to justify the admission of the said incorrigible infant into the reform school unless such commitment be accompanied by the written consent of at least three of the county commissioners of the proper county to which said infant belongs, and which is chargeable with the expense of clothing, maintenance and instruction of such infant.

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commissioners

SEC. 3. That in case any infant under the age of sixteen years shall have been duly convicted of any other crime, except that of incorrigibility, then no consent of the county commissioners shall be necessary to authorize the commitment. But in all cases of conviction before a justice of the peace, the justice shall reduce all the evidence taken by him

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to writing, and state the name, age, and evidence of each witness examined, and transmit the same forthwith to the chairman of the board of county commissioners, who shall without delay submit the same to the judge of the district court for said county, whose duty it shall be to examine the same and approve or disapprove of such conviction. If the conviction of the justice is approved the minor shall forthwith be committed to the said board of managers, if disapproved no other proceedings shall be had.

Parents when
able to pay for
maintenance of
incorrigible
children.

SEC. 4. That if it shall appear to the county commissioners, that the parents of any infant committed for incorrigibility, are able to pay the expense of clothing, maintenance and instruction of such infant, then, and in that case, the said county having paid to the state reform school, the charges for the clothing, maintenance and instruction of such infant, may recover the same of the parents of such infant.

SEC. 5. This act shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage.

Approved Feb. 26, 1872.

CHAPTER XXIX.

February 23,
1872.

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of the several organized counties of the State to pay a Bounty for the Destruction of Wolves.

- SECTION 1. Boards of county commissioners authorized to give bounties for destruction of wolves.
2. Necessary evidence to obtain the bounty.
 3. Duties of the county auditors in the premises.
 4. Further duties of the county auditor.
- When act to take effect.

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

SECTION. 1. The board of county commissioners of the several organized counties of this state are hereby author-