

CHAPTER 37.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO SECURE PROPER COMMITMENTS TO THE MINNESOTA STATE REFORM SCHOOL," APPROVED FEBRUARY TWENTY-SIX (26), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO (1872).

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

SECTION 1. That whenever any infant under the age of sixteen (16) 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.

Commitments,
how effected.

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 (2) disinterested witnesses, and no commitment for incorrigibility shall be sufficient to justify the admission of said incorrigible infant into the reform school unless such commitment be approved by the judge of the district court of the district to which the county from which such infant is committed belongs, and no other consent or approval of any officer whatever shall be necessary to authorize the commitment; but in all cases of conviction before a justice of the peace, whether for incorrigibility, or any other crime, the justice shall reduce all the evidence taken by him to writing, and state the name, age and residence of each witness examined, and transmit the same forthwith to the judge of the district court aforesaid, 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 proceeding shall be had.

Charge must be
proved by at
least two wit-
nesses.

Justice to re-
duce evidence to
writing.

SEC. 3. That the children received by said managers, under the conviction of any court within this state, shall be clothed, maintained and instructed by said managers at the public expense of the state. *Provided*, however, that when such conviction is solely from incorrigibility, then such infant shall be so clothed, maintained and instructed by said managers at the public expense of the proper county from which such infant is sent; and the account of all infants so committed for incorrigibility shall be kept by the managers in an intelligible and proper manner.

Children to be
clothed at ex-
pense of state.

SEC. 4. That section six (6) of an act entitled "An act to consolidate the various acts relating to the Minnesota

Former acts re-
pealed.

State Reform School, and to amend the same," approved March third (3d), one thousand eight hundred and seventy (1870), and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

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

Approved March 2, 1883.

CHAPTER 38.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS TWO (2), SIXTEEN (16) AND TWENTY-TWO (22) OF CHAPTER THIRTY-NINE (39) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT (1878), IN RELATION TO CHATTEL MORTGAGES.

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

SECTION 1. That section two (2) of chapter thirty-nine (39) of the general statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878), be amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. Every such instrument shall be filed in the town, city or village where the property mortgaged is at the time of the execution of such mortgage, and a copy thereof filed in the town, city or village where the mortgagor, if a resident of this state, resides at the time of the execution thereof. In each town such instrument shall be filed in the office of the town clerk thereof, and in the several cities and villages in the office of the recorder, clerk or other officer in whose custody the records of the city or village are kept, and each of the officers hereinbefore named shall file all such instruments when presented for that purpose, indorse thereon the time of reception, the number thereof, and shall enter in a suitable book to be provided by him at the expense of the town, city or village, with an alphabetical index thereto, under the head of mortgagors and mortgagees respectively, the names of each party to such instrument, and in separate columns opposite such names the number of the instrument, the date, the amount secured thereby, when due and the date of filing the same; such instrument or copy shall remain on file for the inspection of all persons interested."

Chatteal mort-
gages—when to
be filed.

Manner of filing.