

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

**Section 1. Children's receiving home in Hennepin County.** The board of county commissioners of any county in this state now or hereafter having a population of 500,000 or more, shall have the authority to purchase, lease, erect, equip and maintain a children's receiving home if such board deems it necessary to establish such a home in which to receive dependent or neglected children *under supervision of the county welfare board or committed by the juvenile court* of such county to the director of social welfare for the purpose of providing such children with board, room, medical treatment and incidentals as required by law. The administration and supervision of any such home which may be established pursuant to this act shall be vested in the welfare board of such county and shall be in accordance with rules and regulations which may be duly adopted by the director of social welfare.

**Sec. 2. Appropriations.** The board of county commissioners of any county to which this act applies shall make all needful appropriations to carry out its provisions.

Approved March 24, 1945.

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#### CHAPTER 138—H. F. No. 388

*An act to provide interpreters at all hearings for the determination of the alleged insanity or feeble-mindedness of deaf and dumb persons.*

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

**Section 1. Interpreters at insanity hearings for persons deaf or dumb.** It shall be the duty of the judge of any court before which the question of the alleged insanity or feeble-mindedness of any person who is deaf and dumb, or either, is being determined to appoint a competent interpreter for the benefit of said alleged insane or feeble-minded person to interpret to and for said alleged insane or feeble-minded person the questions asked said alleged insane or feeble-minded person and his answers and all other oral court proceedings at the trial, and said alleged insane or feeble-minded person shall be entitled to have the services of such interpreter as a matter of absolute right.

**Sec. 2. Fees.** The fees and expenses of such interpreter shall be fixed and ordered paid by the judge of the trial court

out of the general revenue fund of the county in which such trial occurs and the auditor and treasurer of such county shall cause such fees and expenses to be paid upon presentation of the order of such court.

**Sec. 3. Application.** This act shall apply to all persons whose means of communication includes the sign language and finger spelling.

**Sec. 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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#### CHAPTER 139—H. F. No. 408

*An act authorizing the county welfare board of certain counties having a population of 500,000 or more, to provide support in emergency cases for dependent and neglected children, amending Laws 1943, Chapter 149, Section 1.*

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

**Section 1. County welfare board of Hennepin County to provide support for dependent children in emergency cases.** The county welfare board of any county now or hereafter having a population of 500,000 or more, and operating under the township system of caring for the poor, may provide at the expense of the county, such board, room, medical treatment and incidentals as it may deem necessary in emergency cases to care for any child who is separated from its parents and under supervision of the county welfare board and has been placed for lodging in a children's boarding home licensed by the Director of Social Welfare and who may be committed by the juvenile court as a dependent or neglected child as defined in Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 8636. The county welfare board of any such county may maintain at the expense of the county places in such licensed children's boarding homes available at all times for the placement and lodging of such children.

**Sec. 2. Costs prior to commitment.** The cost of such board, room, medical expenses and incidentals furnished prior to commitment by the juvenile court shall be a legal claim against the parent, guardian, trustee or custodian of any such child and in favor of the county.

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