

## CHAPTER 258—H. F. No. 624

*An act relating to the state board of parole and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 637.10.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 637.10 is amended so as to read as follows:

**637.10. Supervision by board; agents.** The board of parole, as far as possible, shall exercise supervision over paroled and discharged convicts *and probationers* and, when deemed necessary for that purpose, may appoint state agents, fix their salaries and allow them traveling expenses. It may also appoint suitable persons in any part of the state for the same purpose. Every such agent or person shall perform such duties as the board may prescribe in behalf of or in the supervision of *probationers and* prisoners paroled or discharged from the state prison, the state reformatory, or other public prison in the state, including assistance in obtaining employment and the return of paroled prisoners, and in addition thereto shall, when so *requested* by the director of social welfare, investigate the circumstances and conditions of the dependents of prisoners of the state penal institutions, and report his findings and recommendations to the warden and superintendent of the respective institutions and to the director of social welfare. Such agents and such persons shall hold office at the will of the board of parole and the persons so appointed shall be paid reasonable compensation for the services actually performed by them. Each shall be paid *from funds appropriated for the state board of parole.*

Approved April 12, 1945.

## CHAPTER 259—H. F. No. 625

*An act relating to the state board of parole and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 637.07.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 637.07 is amended so as to read as follows:

**637.07. Credits for prisoners; release.** Each prisoner shall be credited for good prison demeanor, diligence in labor and study and results accomplished, and be charged for dere-

lictions, negligences, and offenses under such uniform system of marks or other methods as shall be prescribed by the *director of public institutions*. He shall be informed of his standing under such system each month. *The director of public institutions shall inform the state board of parole of the work progress, derelictions, negligences, demeanor and future program of each inmate of the penal institutions a month before his regular appearance before the board of parole.* When the board shall grant an absolute release it shall certify the fact and the grounds therefor to the governor, who may in his discretion restore the prisoner released to *civil rights*.

Approved April 12, 1945.

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#### CHAPTER 260—H. F. No. 626

*An act relating to the state board of parole and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 610.38.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 610.38 is amended so as to read as follows:

**610.38. Suspension of sentences and probation.** Such stay shall be for the full period of sentence; and during such time the person so sentenced may be placed on probation under the supervision of a probation officer in counties where such officer is provided by law, and in other counties under the supervision of the state board of parole or of some discreet person who will accept such supervision and serve without pay, making report to the court as required. Nothing herein contained shall prevent juvenile courts, in appropriate cases, from placing persons on probation to the state board of parole for supervision. The court shall in each case set forth the reason for the order of probation and may make such terms and conditions of probation as are deemed suitable, and may require a recognizance or other surety, conditioned upon the performance of such terms and conditions and may enforce the same. Prior to the expiration of the sentence, but not until after one year from the time the person has been placed on probation, the court, or the board of parole, where the case has been referred to such board, shall have the power, when in its judgment the facts in the case and the behavior of the probationer so warrants, to indefinitely suspend such sentence; pro-