

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 144.44 is amended to read as follows :

144.44. **Removal to public sanatorium or hospital.** Any health officer shall have the right to report to the board of county commissioners of his county any person afflicted with tuberculosis whom he considers a menace to his family or other persons, and upon the approval of the board of county commissioners, *the county sheriff* shall remove the person and place him in a public sanatorium or hospital where he shall remain until discharged therefrom by the superintendent of the institution.

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CHAPTER 565—S. F. No. 1175.

*An act relating to the state reformatory for men, and the state public school at Owatonna; providing for the temporary use of the state public school at Owatonna as an institution for the academic education and vocational training for feeble-minded persons, and providing for the temporary use of a portion and the facilities thereof of the state reformatory for men for the care of feeble-minded persons; authorizing the transfer of committed feeble-minded persons to the state public school at Owatonna and the state reformatory for men; authorizing the director of social welfare to provide a temporary receiving home for dependent and neglected children under his guardianship; and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Sections 247.01, 257.32, and 640.34.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 247.01, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

247.01. **State public school; location; purpose; temporary emergency use.** The state public school for dependent children shall be continued at Owatonna. Its purpose shall be to furnish a temporary home for dependent and neglected children and to provide them with proper permanent homes, proper care, and instruction, while in the home, in the branches usually taught in the common schools and with moral, physical,

and industrial training. *Provided, however, that from June 30, 1945, until June 30, 1947, the State Public School at Owatonna may be used temporarily as an institution to provide academic education and vocational training for those feeble-minded persons who may, through such education and training, be prepared for return to society as self-supporting individuals. Provided, further, that if during the period from June 30, 1945, to June 30, 1947, the director of social welfare determines that the facilities of the state public school at Owatonna are necessary for the proper care and training of dependent and neglected children, then and in such event the facilities at said school shall be made available for such purpose.*

**Sec. 2. Accommodate feeble-minded persons.** During the period from June 30, 1945, to June 30, 1947, all feeble-minded persons, who will profit by academic education and vocational training, now institutionalized, or who have been committed by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or who may hereafter be committed by such court to an institution, may be transferred out of such institution for the feeble-minded to the state public school at Owatonna, unless the director of social welfare has determined that the facilities at the state public school at Owatonna are necessary for the proper care and training of dependent and neglected children. All laws relating to the commitment and care of such feeble-minded persons so transferred to the state public school at Owatonna shall be applicable to such persons.

**Sec. 3.** Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 257.32, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

**257.32. Illegitimate children. Subdivision 1. Director of social welfare legal guardian.** The director of social welfare shall have powers of legal guardianship over the persons of all children who may be committed by courts of competent jurisdiction to his care or to institutions under his management. After commitment to his guardianship, he may make such provision for, and disposition of, the child as necessity and the best interests of the child may from time to time require. No child shall be placed in an institution maintained for the care of delinquents who has not been duly adjudged to be delinquent. The director shall not be authorized to consent to the adoption of a child who is committed to his guardianship on account of delinquency.

**Subd. 2. Arrange for available buildings.** *If existing buildings, grounds or other facilities provided by law, or which may be available, for the shelter and care of dependent and*

*neglected children, who are under the guardianship of the director of social welfare, become inadequate, the director, with the approval of the commissioner of administration, may arrange according to law, by gift or by lease, not exceeding two years in duration, for the use of any available buildings, dwellings and grounds appurtenant thereto or suitable for such purpose.*

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 640.34, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

**640.34. State reformatory. Subdivision 1. Location and management.** The state reformatory shall be continued at its present site, in Sherburne county, and be under the general management of the director of public institutions. *During the period from June 30, 1945, until June 30, 1947, a building, or a wing or portion thereof, and the facilities thereat, of the state reformatory shall be designated and set apart by the director of public institutions for the care of feeble-minded persons.*

*Subd. 2. Accommodate feeble-minded persons. During the period from June 30, 1945, to June 30, 1947, all feeble-minded persons now institutionalized and who have been committed by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or who may hereafter be committed by such court to an institution may be transferred out of such institution for the feeble-minded to the state reformatory; and all laws relating to the commitment and care of such feeble-minded persons so transferred to the state reformatory shall be applicable to such persons.*

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CHAPTER 566—S. F. No. 1217

*An act relating to the salary of the county surveyor in certain counties; amending Laws 1917, Chapter 456, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1919, Chapter 426, Section 1, and Laws 1943, Chapter 426.*

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

Section 1. Laws 1917, Chapter 456, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1919, Chapter 426, Section 1, and Laws 1943, Chapter 426, is amended to read as follows: