

personal appearance or written consent to the proceedings of the person or persons, if any to be notified, or as soon thereafter as may be, the court shall proceed to hear the case, and may proceed in a summary manner.

In all such proceedings in counties having less than 150,000 population the county attorney shall appear for the petitioner. The child shall have the right to appear and be represented by counsel and, if unable to provide counsel, the court may appoint counsel for him. The counsel shall receive from the general revenue fund of the county reasonable compensation for services upon the order of the court.

In all such proceedings the county welfare board shall upon the request of the judge of the juvenile court or the county attorney, cause an investigation to be made relative to the child and the child's family. In all such proceedings, such child may be released into the custody of the parent, guardian, or custodian.

Approved April 3, 1951.

CHAPTER 225—S. F. No. 590

An act relating to old age assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.18.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.18, is hereby amended to read:

256.18. **Old age assistance, when not paid.** No old age assistance shall be paid to a person:

(1) While or during the time he is an inmate of, and receives gratuitously all the necessities of life from any public charitable, custodial, or correctional institution maintained by the United States, or any state or any of the political subdivisions of the state; provided, in the case of temporary medical or surgical care in a hospital or infirmary, part or all of any old age assistance may be paid at the discretion of the county

agency subject to rules and regulations made by the state agency;

(2) If the net value of his property or the net value of the combined property of husband and wife exceeds \$7,500; or if the net value of his assets convertible into cash exceeds \$300 or the combined convertible assets of husband and wife exceed \$450. The county agency in its discretion may permit eligibility of an applicant having liquid assets in excess of this amount when the liquidation of the assets would cause undue loss; provided, that household goods and furniture in use in the home, wearing apparel, and a lot in the burial ground may be owned in addition to the property limitation provided in this clause;

(3) Who has, after the passage of sections 256.11 to 256.43, or within two years prior thereto deprived himself directly or indirectly of any property for the purpose of qualifying for old age assistance;

(4) Whose spouse, living with the person, has made an assignment or transfer directly or indirectly of any property for the purpose of qualifying either person for old age assistance under sections 256.11 to 256.43.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1951.

Approved April 3, 1951.

CHAPTER 226—S. F. No. 682

[Not Coded]

An act relating to salaries of county officials in certain counties and providing for clerk hire in said counties; amending Laws 1943, Chapter 411, Sections 4 and 6.

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

Section 1. Laws 1943, Chapter 411, Section 4, is amended to read :