

## CHAPTER 118—H. F. No. 187

*An act relating to old age assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Sections 256.18 and 256.28.*

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

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

256.18. **Pensioners, disqualification.** 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 institution maintained by the United States, or any state or any of the political subdivisions of a state; *while he is a patient in a tuberculosis or mental institution; or while he is a patient in a medical institution as a result of diagnosis of tuberculosis or psychosis; provided, however, that part or all of any old age assistance may be paid to patients of public or private medical institutions other than those herein excluded,* 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 \$5,000; 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;

(5) *Who is receiving aid to the blind, aid to dependent children or aid to the permanently and totally disabled.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.28, is hereby amended to read:

256.28. **Payments to recipient.** Subdivision 1. **Exceptions.** All payments of old age assistance must be issued to the recipient except:

(1) in those instances in which a legal guardian has been appointed by the court having jurisdiction to make such appointments;

(2) *in those instances in which the county agency, subject to rules and regulations of the state agency, determines that payments for medical care shall be made directly to the vendor of such care.*

*Subd. 2. Medical care. "Medical care" as used in this section shall mean, medical, dental, surgical, hospital, nursing or licensed nursing home care. Payments of grants under section 256.15 for all other purposes shall be made to the recipient.*

Approved March 24, 1951.

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#### CHAPTER 119—H. F. No. 340

*An act relating to the licensing of steamfitters; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 326.50.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 326.50, is amended to read:

326.50 **Application; fees.** Application for a steamfitter's license shall be made to the industrial commission, with fees. Unless the applicant is entitled to a renewal, he shall be licensed only after passing a satisfactory examination by the