

or otherwise, any community or municipal hospital, or any land, building, hospital supplies, or equipment belonging to said city to any incorporated non-profit hospital association. However, such hospital must be made and kept available to all inhabitants of such city on equal terms.

Approved March 31, 1953.

CHAPTER 218—H. F. No. 788

An act relating to exceptions from the Alien Exclusion Laws; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 500.22, Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 500.22, Subdivision 4, is amended to read :

Subd. 4. **Exceptions.** The prohibitions of subdivisions 1, 2, and 3 shall not apply to lands acquired by process of law in the collection of debts, or by any procedure for the enforcement of a lien or claim thereon, whether created by mortgage or otherwise; provided, that all lands so acquired be disposed of within ten years after acquiring title thereto; nor to any railroad corporation; *nor to any common carrier*; nor to any corporation actually engaged in manufacturing in this state, but such corporation may hold such lands as may be reasonably necessary in the carrying on of its business, provided, that all lands so held by such corporation actually engaged in manufacturing in this state, shall be disposed of within ten years after it shall cease to use the same for the purposes of its business.

Approved March 31, 1953.

CHAPTER 219—H. F. No. 1143

An act relating to dependent, neglected, or delinquent children, amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 260.08, as amended by Chapter 224, Laws of 1951.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 260.08, as amended by Chapter 224, Laws 1951, is hereby amended to read :

260.08 Custody, proceedings. Upon the presentation of the petition if it appears that a child may be dependent, neglected, or delinquent and that it is for the best interests of the child that the matter be heard in said county, the petition shall be filed and a date set for hearing thereon. A summons may be issued by the judge or clerk of the court requiring the person having custody or control of the child, or with whom the child may be, to appear with the child at a place and time stated in the summons, which time shall be not less than 24 hours after service. Such place may be in the county-seat of the county, or in any other city or village in the county, at the discretion of the court. It shall be sufficient to confer jurisdiction if service is made at any time before the day fixed in the summons for the return thereof; but in such case the court if so requested shall not proceed with the hearing earlier than the second day after the service. The summons shall be served as provided by law for the service of summons in civil actions, and may be served by a probation officer. The parents of the child, if living, and their residence is known, or its legal guardian, if one there be, or if there be neither parent nor guardian, or if his residence is not known, then *a grandparent, sister, brother, uncle, or aunt of legal age* if there be one and his residence is known, shall be notified of the proceedings. *If satisfied that personal service cannot be made the court shall order three weeks' published notice to be given, the last publication to be at least ten days before the time set for hearing.* In all cases of dependency or neglect the notification shall also include a statement that in the event the court makes a final order of commitment the child shall be subject to adoption and, in case of proceeding to adopt the child, no notice need be given the parents. In any case the judge may appoint some suitable person to act in behalf of the child. Except in counties containing a city of the first class if the petition presented is made by a person other than a representative of the division of social welfare or county welfare board, notice as provided by the court shall be given to the county welfare board. Where the person to be notified, other than a member of the county welfare board or its staff, resides within the county, service of notice shall be the same as service of the summons, but in any other case service of notice shall be made in such manner as the court may direct. If the person summoned as herein provided shall fail without reasonable cause to appear and abide the order of the court or bring the child, he may be proceeded against as in case of contempt of court. In case the summons cannot be served or the party served fails to obey the same, and in any case when it shall be made to appear to the court that such summons will be ineffectual, or that the welfare of the child requires that he shall be brought forthwith into the

custody of the court, a warrant may be issued by the court, either against the parent or guardian or the person having custody of the child or with whom the child may be, or against the child himself. On the dates set for the hearing and on the return of the summons if any has been issued or other process, or on the appearance of the child with or without summons or other process in person before the court, and on the return of the service of notice, if there be any person to be notified, or a 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.

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CHAPTER 220—H. F. No. 1145

An act relating to payment of old age assistance grants; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.34.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.34, is hereby amended to read:

256.34 County budget, levy; warrants; claims for reimbursement, payment. The providing of funds necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 256.11 to 256.43 on the part of the counties and the manner of administering and disbursing funds of the counties and the state shall be as follows:

(1) The board of county commissioners of each county shall annually set up in its budget an item designated as the county old age assistance fund and levy taxes and fix a tax rate for old age assistance sufficient to produce the full amount of