

for the feeble-minded, shall at once notify the director if there is any question as to the propriety of the commitment or detention of any person admitted to such institution and the director shall immediately take action thereon.

The director of public institutions may use available space in any institution under his jurisdiction, or in any institution under the jurisdiction of another department or agency of the state in which space is proffered him, by executive or legislative action, for the care and custody of persons, patients, inmates, or convicts in the institutions under his exclusive control for whom other, more suitable, space is not available. All laws relating to the commitment and care of such persons who may be so committed and institutionalized shall be applicable to such persons.

Other language of this act notwithstanding, the director of public institutions shall have no authority to transfer persons convicted of murder in the first or second degree or persons committed under the psychopathic personality provisions of sections 526.09 and 526.10 except as provided elsewhere by law.

Approved April 21, 1953.

CHAPTER 516—H. F. No. 1299

An act relating to civil service competitive examinations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949; Section 43.13, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 43.13, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Character.** The competitive examinations shall, after published notice, be open to all applicants who are citizens of the United States, who have been residents of this state for two years immediately preceding the date of examination, and who meet with reasonable standards or requirements fixed by the director with regard to experience, character, age, education, physical condition, and such other factors as may be held to relate to the ability of the candidates to perform with reasonable efficiency the duties of the position. No standards or requirements shall be fixed with reference to education or physical condition except such as relate directly to the duties of the office or employment to be filled. Persons under such physical disability as not to make them ineligible by

reason thereof, shall be examined in such manner as will fairly test their ability to perform the duties of the position, notwithstanding such physical disability. The director may require candidates in filing their applications to submit certificates of general or special qualifications as the good of the service may require. Examinations shall be held at such times and places as in the judgment of the director most nearly meet the convenience of applicants, practicability of administration and the needs of the service. For positions requiring professional, technical, or unusual qualifications, the director, subject to approval of the board, may open competitive examinations to residents of other states who are citizens of the United States or to noncitizens who have filed with proper authorities, a declaration of intent to become citizens of the United States when such action is permitted by federal law and who are otherwise qualified. Noncitizens appointed as a result of competitive examinations permitted under this section shall not acquire permanent civil service status until they present proof of United States citizenship. The period of employment of any noncitizen so appointed who shall not furnish proof of citizenship within the applicable minimum period prescribed by federal law, shall be automatically terminated on that date, unless extended by the director because of circumstances beyond the control of the employee.

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CHAPTER 517—H. F. No. 1311

An act relating to the salaries of county welfare board members; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 393.03.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 393.03, is amended to read:

393.03 Members' per diem. Except as provided in Section 393.01, subdivision 3 and 4, the members of the county welfare board shall receive, in addition to any salaries they may receive from any other source, from the state or county or any municipality, the sum of *an amount not to exceed \$10 per day for time actually spent in transacting the business of the board not exceeding a maximum of 25 days a year, provided, however, that any member of the county welfare board who is a member of the board of county commissioners shall be limited to the sum of \$5 per day for time actually spent in transacting the business of the board not exceeding a maxi-*