

109.34. **Compensation of engineer and viewers.** The engineer or surveyor, if appointed, shall receive as compensation for his services and expenses such amount as the board by resolution may determine. The members of the board shall each receive \$3.00 for every day they are necessarily employed in acting on the ditch proceedings or in viewing the ditch and making up and filing their orders, and their actual and necessary expenses. The viewers shall receive the same compensation as the town board does for its work. Each rodman, chainman, axeman, and other employee necessary to the prompt execution of the work of locating or inspecting the ditch shall receive such compensation as the board by resolution may determine. The town clerk, the town treasurer, the register of deeds, the constable, and other officers shall be paid the same fees as are allowed by law for similar service or, if no fees are allowed, they shall receive reasonable compensation for their services. Such compensation shall be in addition to all sums allowed by law at the time of the passage of this chapter. The fees per diem, compensation, and expenses shall be before payment audited and allowed by the town clerk and paid by the petitioners from time to time.

Approved March 10, 1947.

CHAPTER 80—H. F. No. 587

An act relating to the State Reformatory for Men at St. Cloud, Minnesota, and providing for the temporary use of a portion thereof and the facilities thereat for the care of feeble-minded persons; and amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 640.34.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 640.34, is amended 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, 1947*, until *June 30, 1949*, a building, or 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, 1947*, to *June 30, 1949*, 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.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after June 30, 1947.

Approved March 10, 1947.

CHAPTER 81—H. F. No. 588

An act relating to the commitment of dependent or neglected children to the care of the Director of Social Welfare, and to amend Minnesota Statutes 1945, Sections 260.11 and 260.38.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 260.11, is hereby amended to read as follows:

260.11. Commitment to director or state public school; hospital and medical care; consent of parents; continuance; final commitment, notice. When any child shall be found to be dependent or neglected within the meaning of sections 260.01 to 260.34 the court may make an order committing the child to the care of the director of social welfare, or to the care of some reputable citizens of good moral character, or to the care of some association willing to receive it, embracing in its objects the purpose of caring for or obtaining homes for dependent or neglected children, which association shall have been accredited as provided by law. In appropriate cases the child may be left with the parents subject to such remedial supervision as the court may direct. The court may continue the hearing from time to time without making an