

Public Welfare and Related Activities

CHAPTER 242

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242.01 PURPOSE. The purpose of sections 242.01 to 242.38 is to protect society more effectively by providing a program looking toward the prevention of delinquency and crime by educating the youth of the state against crime and by substituting for retributive punishment methods of training and treatment directed toward the correction and rehabilitation of young persons found delinquent or guilty of crime.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

COMMISSION

242.02 CREATION. There is hereby created a Youth Conservation Commission to provide and conduct a program looking toward the prevention of juvenile and youth delinquency and to provide and administer preventive and corrective training for persons committed to the commission.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.03 PERSONNEL, QUORUM; DIRECTOR, APPOINTMENT, COMPENSATION. The commission shall consist of six persons including the commissioner of public welfare, the chairman of the state board of parole, and four others, at least one of whom shall be a woman appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate. Three members shall constitute a quorum, except as otherwise provided in section 242.10. The governor shall designate one of the appointed members as the chairman who shall be the full time director of the commission. The director shall be responsible for the administration and enforcement of sections 242.01 to 242.38 under the direction of the commission. The commissioner of public welfare and the chairman of the state board of parole and probation shall serve without additional compensation. All other members shall serve on a per diem basis.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1; 1951 c 383 s 1; 1955 c 261 s 1]

242.04 TERM OF OFFICE. The term of office of the appointed members of the commission shall be for six years except that the members serving under their initial appointment shall serve for the remainder of the terms for which they were respectively appointed. The woman initially appointed shall serve for a term expiring July 1, 1952. All appointments made thereafter, except to fill a vacancy, shall be for full term. A member is eligible for reappointment. A member shall hold office until the appointment and qualification of his successor.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1]

242.05 VACANCY. All appointments to a vacancy shall be made by the governor and shall be for the unexpired term. Each member shall hold until the appointment and qualification of his successor.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.06 QUALIFICATION OF APPOINTEES. All persons appointed to the commission shall, in so far as possible, have legal and administrative ability, educational experience, and experience in the study of juvenile and youthful offenders, and in planning and conducting programs of prevention of juvenile and youth delinquency and crime and one shall be a juvenile court judge who is also a judge of probate. A person particularly well qualified for such appointment may be appointed, even though such person is not, at the time of the appointment, a resident of this state.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.07 COMPENSATION, EXPENSES. Each of the appointed members of the commission other than the director shall receive as compensation the sum of \$25 per day for each day actually spent in the discharge of official duties. In addition to the compensation so provided, each of the members of the commission shall be reimbursed for all expenses paid or incurred by him in the performance of his official duties.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1; 1951 c 713 s 28]

242.08 REMOVAL. The governor may remove any member of the commission who fails to properly discharge his responsibilities as a member of the commission. If requested by the member, the charges must be submitted in writing to such member and he shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.09 COOPERATION, OTHER AGENCIES. The commissioner of public welfare, the commissioner of education, and the state board of health through its executive officer shall advise, cooperate with and assist the commission in carrying out the duties and responsibilities assigned to it by sections 242.01 to 242.38 and for these purposes they may attend meetings. Their facilities and services and those of other state agencies, particularly of the department of public welfare and of the state board of parole and probation, shall be made available to the commission upon such terms as the governor may direct.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1; 1955 c 261 s 1]

242.10 POWERS; PROBATION, COMMITMENT, PAROLE; DIVISIONS.
 (1) Every order granting or revoking probation, committing to an institution, granting or revoking parole, or issuing final discharge to any person under the control of the commission shall be made by the commission, and the commission may not delegate the making of such decisions to any other body or person, except the commission may sit for these purposes, in divisions of three, and each division shall constitute a quorum of the commission providing such division includes at least two voting members of the commission. A non-voting member of the staff may sit as the representative of the director, when so authorized by the director, and for the purpose of establishing a quorum. Such non-voting staff member may serve as the third member of such division. The director shall from time to time designate the members of such division and the presiding member thereof.

(2) All other powers conferred on the commission may be exercised by the director or through his subordinates under rules established by the commission. Any person subjected to an order of the director or such subordinates may petition the commission for review.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1; 1951 c 383 s 2; 1953 c 33 s 1]

242.11 CERTIFICATE OF PREPARATION; FILING. No person may be committed to the commission until it has certified in writing to the secretary of state that it is prepared to discharge its duties and functions and has filed certified copies

thereof in the office of the clerk of the district court and with the probate court in each county. Before such filing a judge of said courts shall deal with persons convicted of a crime or found delinquent without regard to the provisions of this section.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.12 DECLARATION OF MINORITY OF PRISONER; PROCEEDINGS NOT CRIMINAL. When in any criminal proceeding in a court of this state a person has been convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor for which the judge has power under section 242.13, to commit to the commission, the judge of that court shall determine whether the person was less than 21 years of age at the time of apprehension from which the criminal proceedings resulted. Proceedings in a juvenile court in respect to a juvenile are not criminal proceedings.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.13 PRISONER COMMITTED TO COMMISSION, PROBATION. After a certificate has been filed with the clerk of the district court of any county, as provided in section 242.11, and except as hereinafter provided, the district court of such county shall commit to the commission every person convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor, who is found to be less than 21 years of age at the time of his apprehension and who is not sentenced to imprisonment for life, or in a county jail for 90 days or less, or to a fine only. This commitment shall be for the maximum term provided by law for the crime for which the person was convicted. Such clerk of court shall deliver to the sheriff a certified commitment in duplicate directing him to deliver such person to the director of the commission. Upon delivery of any such person, the director shall retain the duplicate certified commitment and endorse his receipt upon the original certified commitment which shall be filed in the court of commitment. In each such proceeding the court shall allow and order paid to the sheriff the sum of \$5 per day for each authorized assistant and disbursements for the travel, board, and lodging of such person, of himself, and authorized assistants. Upon such order the state auditor shall issue a warrant on the state treasurer for the payment thereof. Execution of sentence may be stayed by the court and the defendant placed on probation. This probation shall not be granted until an investigation and report shall have been made by the probation officer of the court, if there is one, otherwise to the extent that its facilities permit, by the commission concerning the advisability thereof; but the granting or denial and the terms of probation shall be within the discretion of the court. If probation is granted, the court in its discretion may place the defendant under the supervision of the commission, providing the commission consents. Otherwise, such probation may be granted pursuant to law without regard to this section.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1951 c 553 s 1]

242.14 CHILD COMMITTED BY JUVENILE COURT TO PROBATIONARY CARE OF COMMISSION. In addition to the powers conferred by Minnesota Statutes, Section 260.13, the juvenile court of any county not having a probation officer shall have the power in its discretion and with the consent of the commission to place any child whom it has adjudged delinquent, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 260.01, on probation in the care and custody of the commission on such terms and conditions as the court may prescribe. The clerk of such juvenile court shall deliver to the sheriff a certified commitment in duplicate directing him to deliver such child to the director of the commission. Upon delivery of any such child, the director shall retain the duplicate certified commitment and endorse his receipt upon the original certified commitment which shall be filed in the juvenile court of commitment. In each such proceeding the juvenile court shall allow and order paid to the sheriff the sum of \$5 per day for each authorized assistant and disbursements for the travel, board, and lodging of such child, of himself, and authorized assistants. Upon such order the state auditor shall issue a warrant on the state treasurer for the payment thereof. The commission shall not have power by virtue thereof or by virtue of any commitment to it by a juvenile court, to place such child in any penal institution. Such juvenile court may request, and it shall then be the duty of the commission to make, an investigation and report to the court, either before or after the hearing, respecting the proper disposition which should be made of such child.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1951 c 553 s 2]

242.15 MINORS, IMPRISONMENT IN JAIL DISAPPROVED BY COMMISSION. A person who is convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor and who is

found to be less than 21 years of age at the time of apprehension, and a person who has been found delinquent by a juvenile court, may not be imprisoned by virtue thereof in any jail which has been disapproved for that purpose by the commission.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.16 COMMITMENT, MINOR DETAINED. When a court commits a person to the commission, such court shall order the sheriff of the county of commitment to convey such person forthwith to some place of detention approved or established or designated by the commission or may direct that he be left at liberty until otherwise ordered by the commission under such conditions as will insure his submission to any orders of the director.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1951 c 459 s 1]

242.17 CERTIFIED COPY, WARRANT OF COMMITMENT. When a court commits a person to the commission it shall promptly forward to the commission a certified copy of the warrant of commitment.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.18 COMMISSION; EXAMINATION AND STUDY; PERTINENT CIRCUMSTANCES OF LIFE OF PERSON COMMITTED. When a person has been committed to the commission, the commission under its rules shall forthwith examine and study him and investigate all of the pertinent circumstances of his life and the antecedents of the crime because of which he has been committed to it, and thereupon order such treatment as it shall determine to be most conducive to the accomplishment of the purposes of sections 242.01 to 242.38. The court and the prosecuting and police authorities and other public officials shall make available to the commission all pertinent data in their possession in respect to the case.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.19 METHODS OF CONTROL. When a person has been committed to the commission it may

(a) place him on probation under such supervision and conditions as it believes conducive to law-abiding conduct;

(b) if he has been committed to the commission upon conviction of a felony or gross misdemeanor, order his confinement to such reformatory, state prison, jail, or other place of confinement to which he might have been sentenced by the court in which he was convicted except for sections 242.01 to 242.38. Such reformatories, state prisons, jails, or other places of confinement are hereby required to accept such persons in like manner as though they had been committed by such court;

(c) if he has been committed to the commission by a juvenile court upon a finding of his delinquency, order his commitment to the State Training School for Boys or the Minnesota Home School for Girls and such schools shall accept such persons so committed to them or to private schools or institutions established by law or incorporated under the laws of this state that may care for delinquent children;

(d) order his release on parole from confinement under such supervision and conditions as it believes conducive to law-abiding conduct;

(e) order recommitment or renewed parole as often as the commission believes to be desirable;

(f) revoke or modify any order, except an order of discharge, as often as the commission believes to be desirable;

(g) discharge him from its control when it is satisfied that such discharge is consistent with the protection of the public.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1; 1953 c 353 s 1]

242.20 TRAINING. As a means of correcting the socially harmful tendencies of a person committed to it, the commission may, subject to the provisions of section 242.24, require participation by him in vocational, physical, educational and corrective training and activities and such conduct and modes of life as seem best adapted to fit him for return to full liberty without danger to the public welfare. The commission may receive money from the sale of articles made by a person committed to it and expend such money so received for the purchase of materials to be made into other articles for sale.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1953 c 352 s 1]

242.21 COOPERATION; STATE INSTITUTIONS, LOCAL POLICE OFFICERS. The commission may enter into agreement with the commissioner of public wel-

fare, the state board of parole and probation, with local probation officers or other public officials and with private agencies, schools or institutions, for custody, separate care or special treatment of persons subject to the control of the commission.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1; 1955 c 261 s 1]

242.22 LOCAL PROBATION OFFICER; POWERS, DUTIES. Any person committed to the commission from a county having a probation officer of a district or juvenile court may be placed on probation by the commission under the supervision of such probation officer who shall assume such supervision as though it were pursuant to a judgment or order of the district or juvenile court. Such probation officer shall cooperate with the commission in providing treatment for such person consistent with the purposes of sections 242.01 to 242.38, but nothing therein shall give the commission direction or control over such probation officer or require him or his subordinates to perform duties not otherwise required by law. If parole is granted by the commission to such person after confinement to a penal institution or after commitment to the State Training School for Boys or the Minnesota Home School for Girls, the parole may be conditioned on like supervision with the consent of the district or juvenile court respectively of such county.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1951 c 459 s 2]

242.23 INSTITUTIONAL FACILITIES, INSPECTION. The commission may inspect all public institutions, agencies and departments whose facilities it is authorized to utilize and shall be given reasonable opportunity to examine or consult with persons committed to the commission at all times.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.24 LIMITATION, POWERS OF COMMISSION. Sections 242.01 to 242.38 shall not be construed to give the commission control over existing facilities, institutions or agencies; or to require them to serve the commission inconsistently with their functions, or with the authority of their officers, or with the laws and regulations governing their activities.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.25 RE-EXAMINATIONS, PERSONS COMMITTED. The director shall make periodic re-examinations of all persons under control of the commission for the purpose of determining whether existing orders in individual cases should be modified or continued in force. Those examinations may be made as frequently as the commission directs and shall be made with respect to every person at least once annually.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.26 CESSATION OF JURISDICTION. The control over a person committed to it in a criminal proceeding shall cease at the expiration of the term of his sentence for the crime for which convicted and he shall thereupon be entitled to a discharge in any event whether on probation, parole, confinement or other order of the commission. The care, custody and control of any delinquent child who has been committed to the commission by a juvenile court shall cease on the twenty-first birthday of such child.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1949 c 575 s 1]

242.27 DISCHARGE. Unless previously discharged under the provisions of sections 242.01 to 242.38, a person who has been committed to the commission upon conviction of a crime shall be discharged by the director and be given his liberty on his twenty-fifth birthday, unless the commission shall determine that such discharge at that time would be dangerous to the public in which event the commission shall terminate its control in the following manner:

(1) If he be then on probation under the supervision of the probation officer of a district court, the future control and disposition of the case shall be in all respects as though such probation were under the order of said court.

(2) If he be then on probation, but not under the supervision of a local probation officer, or if he be on parole, control of him shall be transferred to the state board of parole and probation who shall thereupon assume like control over him as though he were on parole following sentence of a court for a maximum term provided by law for the crime for which he was committed.

(3) If he be then confined in a penal institution, the control of the commission shall cease and such confinement shall be upon like terms and conditions as though it had been under sentence of court for the maximum term provided by law for the crime for which he was committed.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1955 c 261 s 1]

242.28 IMPRISONMENT FOR LIFE, ASSUMPTION OF CONTROL. If a sentence of imprisonment for life is imposed upon a person who was under 21 years of age at the time of his apprehension, and if before he reaches the age of 25 the Board of Pardons commutes the sentence by committing him to the commission, the commission shall assume control over him pursuant to the provisions of sections 242.01 to 242.38.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.29 PROBATE COURT PROCEEDINGS; INSANITY, PSYCHOPATHIC PERSONALITY. Whenever the director is of the opinion that there are grounds for believing that a person committed to the commission is insane, or a psychopathic personality, as defined in Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 526.09, the director may institute proceedings in the probate court of the county in which such person then resides or is confined to determine whether he is insane or a psychopathic personality. If the court shall so find, he shall be transferred by the order of the court to the Minnesota Security Hospital or to a state hospital for the insane at the discretion of the court, there to be kept and maintained as in the case of other insane persons. If, in the judgment of the superintendent of the asylum or hospital, his sanity is restored before the period of his commitment to the commission has expired, he shall be returned by the commissioner of public welfare to the commission for further disposition or treatment under sections 242.01 to 242.38.

[1947 c 595 s 1; 1957 c 196]

242.30 APPEAL, STAY OF SENTENCE. The right of a person convicted of a crime to a new trial or to an appeal from the judgment of conviction, or to a stay of sentence or to admission to bail is not affected by sections 242.01 to 242.38.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.31 RESTORATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS. Whenever a person committed to the commission upon conviction of a crime is discharged from its control other than by expiration of the maximum term of commitment as provided under this section, or under the provisions of section 242.27, such discharge shall, when so ordered by the commission, restore such person to all civil rights and shall have the effect of setting aside the conviction and nullifying the same and of purging such person thereof.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.32 CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAMS; COOPERATION, OTHER AGENCIES. The commission shall be charged with the duty of developing constructive programs for the prevention and decrease of delinquency and crime among youth and to that end shall cooperate with existing agencies and encourage the establishment of new agencies, both local and state-wide, having as their object the prevention and decrease of delinquency and crime among youth; and the commission shall assist local authorities of any county or municipality when so requested by the governing body thereof, in planning, developing and coordinating their educational, welfare, recreational and health activities or other constructive community programs, which have as their object the conservation of youth.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.33 ANNUAL REPORT TO GOVERNOR, RECOMMENDATIONS. The commission shall report annually to the governor upon its work including therein the number of persons committed to it, the number upon probation or parole, the number confined by it in penal or other institutions of the state, such information as it may have as to the causes of crime and delinquency among youth, and such other information relative to its activities as it may consider desirable or useful to the public. It may include in such report recommendations and suggestions for the prevention or decrease of such delinquency and crime. These reports may be published by the commission and upon publication they shall become public records.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.34 RETAKING ABSCONDING PERSON. The written order of the director is authority to any peace officer, or to any parole or probation officer or other supervising agent of the commission, to retake and place in actual custody any person under the control of the commission; but any such parole or probation officer may, without order or warrant, when it appears to him necessary in order to prevent the escape or to enforce discipline, take and detain such person and present him before the director for his action.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.35 RULES. The commission may make and shall enforce all rules appropriate to the proper accomplishment of its functions.

[1947 c 595 s 1]

242.36 ORDER OF COMMITMENT, REVIEW. (1) Within 30 days from the date of notice in writing of any order made pursuant to section 242.10, clause (1), or section 242.19, or of any order terminating its control made pursuant to section 242.27 after an examination as therein provided, any person who has been committed to the commission after conviction of a felony or gross misdemeanor, may request the commission in writing to conduct a hearing of record for the review of any such order.

(2) If the commission grants the request, it shall hold a full hearing of record, allowing the person opportunity to appear with counsel, and thereafter the commission shall issue a final order affirming, modifying, or rescinding its prior order.

(3) Upon application to the committing district court made by the person affected by the final order within 30 days from the date of written notice thereof, the committing district court only may review such final order. Such review shall be in like manner as though reviewed by certiorari, except that the trial shall be de novo upon the return of the commission and such other evidence as may be received by the court. Nothing herein shall prohibit the commission from making such investigation and orders to carry out the purposes of sections 242.01 to 242.38.

(4) The final order shall remain in full force and effect until reversed by the committing district court, and if appeal is taken to the supreme court, until that court makes its final order.

[1949 c 575 s 1]

242.37 CONSERVATION CAMPS. (1) The commission may establish and operate conservation camps in which persons committed to the commission may be placed. Such camps may be established independently or in cooperation with any other public agency or any governmental subdivision, subject to the approval of such agency or subdivision as to any camp or project to the extent that its premises or operations are affected.

(2) Every able-bodied person committed to the commission and confined to a conservation camp established pursuant to this section or to any other place or institution under the control of the commission may be required by order of the commission to labor during the whole or some part of the time for which he is so committed and confined, but not more than eight hours per day. The commission is authorized and empowered to provide for the payment of such compensation as it may determine to persons so confined who perform labor as hereinabove provided. Any money arising hereunder shall be and remain under control of the commission and shall be for the sole benefit of the person performing the labor unless it shall be used for rendering assistance to his family or dependents or in making restitution to persons determined by the commission to be entitled thereto, in either event payments shall be made only in such amount, at such time and to such persons as the commission may order in writing.

[1949 c 575 s 1]

242.375 SUPERINTENDENTS, COMPENSATION IN ADDITION TO SALARY. Whenever the youth conservation commission shall, by order, assign an employee of the commission as a superintendent of any institution or camp, in which wards of the commission are kept and such superintendent is required to live at the institution or camp, he shall be entitled to his residence, subsistence and maintenance in addition to his salary.

[1957 c 894]

242.38 MONEY OF PERSONS COMMITTED TO CUSTODY, DEPOSIT. The youth conservation commission shall have the care and custody of all moneys belonging to wards thereof which may come into its hands, keep accurate accounts thereof, and pay them out under rules and regulations prescribed by law, or by the commission, taking vouchers therefor. The officer charged with the custody of such funds shall give a bond in such amount as the commission may require, conditioned to safely keep and account for such funds. All such moneys received by any officer or employee shall be paid to the person having charge of such funds forthwith. Such officer, at the close of each month, or oftener if required by the commission, shall forward to the commission a statement of the amount of all moneys so received and the names of the wards from whom received, accompanied by his check for the amount, payable to the state treasurer. On receipt of such state-

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ment, the commission shall transmit the same to the state auditor, together with such check, who shall deliver the same to the state treasurer. Upon the payment of such check, the amount shall be credited to a fund to be known as "Youth Conservation Ward Fund." All such funds shall be paid out by the state treasurer upon vouchers duly approved by the commission as in other cases. The commission may permit a contingent fund to remain in the hands of the officer charged with the custody of such funds from which necessary expenditures may from time to time be made.

[1953 c 351 s 1; 1957 c 674]

242.385 RECEPTION AND DIAGNOSTIC CENTER. Subdivision 1. **Establishment, location, control.** There is hereby established the Youth Conservation Commission Reception and Diagnostic Center, to be located within twenty-five (25) miles of the Minneapolis campus of the University of Minnesota, to which shall be delivered for diagnostic services all children and youth committed to the youth conservation commission by the district and juvenile courts of this state. The general control and management of the reception and diagnostic center shall be under the youth conservation commission.

Subd. 2. **Acquisition of site.** The commissioner of administration is directed to acquire by purchase, or condemnation, a suitable tract of land for the location of the center, and to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of such center.

[1957 c 956 s 1, 2]

STATE TRAINING SCHOOLS; BOYS, GIRLS

242.41 RED WING, MANAGEMENT. The state training school for boys shall be continued at its present site at Red Wing in the county of Goodhue and be under the general management of the Youth Conservation Commission.

[R L s 1905; 1949 c 561 s 2] (4470)

242.42 PROBATION. With the commitment the court or justice shall transmit by the officer executing the same to the superintendent of the training school a copy of the record of the case, including all the evidence, and a written statement of such other particulars concerning the child as can be ascertained. Sentence of commitment may be stayed by the court and the infant placed on probation in the discretion of the court.

[1905 c 233 s 6] (4471)

242.43 YOUTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION, DUTIES. It shall be the duty of the Youth Conservation Commission to receive, clothe, maintain, and instruct, at the expense of the state, all infants duly committed, as herein provided, to the training school and keep them in its custody until their arrival at the age of 21 years unless sooner discharged, apprenticed, paroled, placed on probation, or transferred; and the Youth Conservation Commission may in its discretion place any of these children, until their arrival at 18 years of age, in suitable homes, or bind them out as apprentices to such persons at such places, and to learn such trades or employment as in its judgment will be most conducive to their reformation and amendment and tend to the future benefit and advantage of the infants. When a similar separate institution for girls shall be established and opened by the state, girls between the ages aforesaid may be committed to and detained therein in like manner and upon the same conditions as herein provided. The Youth Conservation Commission may discharge any child so committed, or may recall to the school at any time any child placed out, apprenticed, paroled, placed on probation, or transferred; and, upon such recall, may resume the care and control thereof. The discharge of a child by the Youth Conservation Commission shall be a complete release from all penalties and disabilities created by reason of the commitment or sentence.

Upon the parole or discharge of any inmate of the state training school for boys or the home school for girls, the director of the Youth Conservation Commission may pay to each inmate released an amount of money not exceeding the sum of \$10. All such payments shall be made from the current expense fund of the institution.

[1905 c 233 s 7; 1949 c 561 s 3; 1953 c 353 s 2; 1953 c 354 s 1] (4472)

242.44 PUPILS. The Youth Conservation Commission, so far as the accommodations of the institution and the means at its disposal will permit, shall receive under its care and guardianship, and keep during their minority, or until

apprenticed, placed in homes, or discharged, all infants so committed. It may place such infant, during his minority, at such employment, and cause him to be instructed in such branches of useful knowledge, as may be suitable to his years and capacity, and may place him in a suitable home, or bind him as apprentice to learn such trade or employment as will in its judgment be for the child's best advantage; and, under such rules as it may prescribe, when deemed best for such infant, it may parole or discharge the child from the institution. All pupils in the school shall be clothed, instructed, and maintained by the Youth Conservation Commission at the expense of the state.

[R L s 1907; 1949 c 260 s 1; 1949 c 561 s 4] (4473)

242.45 INFANTS COMMITTED BY U.S. COURTS. The Youth Conservation Commission shall receive into its custody and under its guardianship and keep until duly discharged all infants within the prescribed ages committed to the training school by order of any court of the United States within the state for offenses committed against the laws of the United States, and for the support of which infants the United States shall undertake to pay 50 cents each per day.

[R L s 1908; 1909 c 122 s 1; 1949 c 561 s 5] (4474)

242.46 AGENTS; DUTIES, SALARIES. The Youth Conservation Commission may appoint agents, who, under regulations prescribed by it, shall investigate the homes of inmates previous to their parole and have supervision over those out on parole and those apprenticed, and who shall perform such other duties as it may require. They shall hold office during its pleasure, subject to the state civil service act, devote their entire time to such work, occupy no other position, and receive no other compensation for their services. They may enter any dwelling house or other building when they have reasonable cause to believe that any ward of the school is detained or concealed therein and take possession of such ward when found. Every person who shall wilfully resist, obstruct, or interfere with them in the discharge of their duties shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

[R L s 1909; 1917 c 343 s 2; 1949 c 561 s 6] (4475)

242.47 INTERFERENCE WITH INMATES. Every person who shall abduct, conceal, entice, carry away, or improperly interfere with, any inmate of the state training school for boys shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

[R. L. s. 1910] (4476)

242.48 NO ROADS OR STREETS THROUGH GROUNDS. No individual, co-partnership, or corporation, public or private, shall lay out, construct, or open any road or street upon or through any grounds of the state training school for boys without the consent of the Youth Conservation Commission.

[R L s 1912; 1949 c 561 s 7] (4477)

242.51 HOME SCHOOL FOR GIRLS ESTABLISHED. There is hereby created and established a separate school for the care, training, and education of girls to be known as the "Minnesota Home School for Girls" and the provisions of all laws providing for the commitment of girls to the state training school for boys and girls shall govern and regulate the commitment of girls to the school hereby established. All girls committed under any law relating to the commitment of girls to state training schools shall be committed to the "Minnesota Home School for Girls" hereby created and established.

[1907 c. 282 s. 1; 1911 c. 3 s. 1] (4478)

242.52 GIRLS ADMITTED, AGE LIMITS. Any girl over the age of eight and under the age of 18 years found guilty of any crime or offense for which, prior to the passage of this section, such girl, but for the fact that she was over 17 years of age, could have been lawfully committed to the Minnesota Home School for Girls, may be committed to the school.

[1915 c. 293 s. 1] (4479)

242.53 HOME SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, CONTROL. The financial control and the general supervision of the Minnesota Home School for Girls is vested in the youth conservation commission and it is hereby vested with power and authority to appoint a superintendent and such other officers and employees as it may deem necessary and proper for the due administration of the affairs of the school, prescribe their duties, and fix the compensation of the officers and employees other than the superintendent, subject to the civil service provisions. It is hereby vested with power and authority to make and establish such rules and regulations for the

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government and management of the school and for the education, employment, training, discipline, and safe-keeping of the inmates thereof as may be deemed by it to be expedient and proper.

[1907 c 282 s 5; 1949 c 561 s 8; 1951 c 713 s 25; 1957 c 422] (4483)

242.54 POWERS AND DUTIES IMPOSED UPON COMMISSION. Subdivision

1. All powers and duties respecting children committed to the state training school for boys and the Minnesota home school for girls heretofore vested in or imposed upon the state director of public institutions, the state board of parole and probation, the director of social welfare, or any other agency of the state except the Youth Conservation Commission, under sections 242.43, 242.44, 256.01, and 256.04, and acts supplemental thereto, or any other provision of law, are hereby transferred to, vested in, and imposed upon the Youth Conservation Commission.

Subd. 2. All unexpended appropriations made to any agency of the state except the Youth Conservation Commission for any of the purposes mentioned in this section, together with all records, equipment, and other property pertaining to such purposes in the hands of such other agency, are hereby transferred to the Youth Conservation Commission.

Subd. 3. The commissioner of public welfare shall transfer to the Youth Conservation Commission any and all employees engaged in the exercise of any of the functions, powers or duties transferred by Laws 1949, Chapter 561, without affecting in any manner any right which they may have under the state civil service act, including seniority within the institution in which they are employed.

[1941 c 356; 1949 c 561 s 9; 1953 c 593 s 2; 1955 c 261 s 1; 1957 c 593 s 2]

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