POOR PERSONS

CHAPTER 180.

[S. B. No. 133-Welford.]

RELIEF OF POOR PERSONS.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 2514 of the Compiled Laws of the State of North Dakota for the year 1913, relating to the Relief of Poor Persons.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

AMENDMENT.] That Section 2514 of the Compiled Laws <u>§</u> 1. of the State of North Dakota for the year 1913 is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

§ 2514. WHERE RESIDENCE IS UNCERTAIN.] If any one within the description of the poor persons specified in this Act shall be found in any township and the overseer of the poor of such township shall be unable to ascertain and establish the place of legal residence of such person, he shall proceed to provide for such poor person in the same manner as other persons are hereby directed to be provided for, and the township shall be reimbursed by the county for the expense of providing for such person and it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners to provide for the payment of all such claims, provided that the township overseer of the poor of the township shall comply with Section 2513 of the Compiled Laws of the State of North Dakota for the year 1913.

Approved March 1, 1917.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMISSION

CHAPTER 181.

[H. B. No. 69-Weld.]

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMISSION.

An Act Establishing a Public Welfare Commission, Prescribing its Powers and Duties, Fixing the Compensation of the Members thereof, and Providing for Investigation in Regard to the Economic, Moral and Social Conditions of Women and Child Workers, Prescribing Duties of Hotel Inspectors in Relation Thereto, and Making an Appropriation to Carry out the Provisions of this Act.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. There is hereby created a commission which shall be composed of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor, the Attorney General and a woman to be appointed by the Governor. Such woman shall have had, if possible, experience as a welfare worker among women and girls and shall be at least thirty years of age. The woman so appointed shall be the executive officer and secretary of the commission and shall receive as compensation for her services the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) per annum together with actual and necessary expenses while engaged in the work of the Commission. The other members of the Commission shall receive their actual and necessary expenses while engaged in performing the duties imposed by this Act outside the city of Bismarck.

§ 2.] It shall be the duty of the Public Welfare Commission to investigate or cause to be investigated, the economic, moral and social conditions of women, girls and child workers in factories, hotels, restaurants, stores, laundries, and other industrial establishments. The executive officer and secretary of the commission shall have the same police powers as are conferred by law upon officers of the State Humane Society.

§ 3.] It shall be the duty of the State Hotel Inspector when so directed by the Public Welfare Commission to investigate the wages, hours of labor, opportunity for recreation and other social, economic and moral conditions of women and girls employed in hotels and restaurants inspected by him.

§ 4.] It shall be the duty of the Public Welfare Commission to make a report to the Governor and the next Legislative Assembly concerning the social, economic and moral conditions of female and child workers mentioned in Section 2 of this Act, and recommend legislation for the improvement of said conditions. Such report shall also show the average wages received by female and child workers in the places mentioned in Section 2 of this Act.

§ 5. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

§ 6. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions herein are hereby repealed.

Approved March 15, 1917.