to time fix the amount to be paid for the board, care and treatment of the patients, which shall not exceed the sum of twenty-four dollars per month for residents of the state; provided, however, that all non-residents shall pay the actual cost of care and treatment, and the amounts so fixed shall be the sum the state hospital for the insane shall be entitled to demand for keeping any patient and the certificate to that effect, subscribed and sworn to by the superintendent shall be evidence of the amount due as fixed.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas an emergency exists in that there are not sufficient funds with which to properly feed and clothe the patients in the state hospital for the insame and whereas it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety and peace of the public; therefore, this act shall become and be in effect and in force immediately upon its passage and approval.

Approved January 30, 1918.

INSURANCE COMPANIES

CHAPTER 9.

[H. B. No. 13—Church.]

COUNTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANIES.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 17 of Chapter 172, Laws of 1915.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 17 of Chapter 172, Session Laws of 1915, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 17. All county mutual insurance companies now organized or hereafter organized shall be perpetual, provided that any county mutual insurance company now organized, may amend its articles of incorporation as provided for by law, so as to extend the term of its incorporation perpetually.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas an émergency exists, in that there are several county mutual insurance companies whose articles of incorporation will expire before July 1st, 1918; and whereas it is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety, that immediate relief be given, therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved January 30, 1918.