POOR FARMS

CHAPTER 186.

(H. B. No. 152-Wadeson.)

DUTIES OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF COUNTY ASYLUMS AND POOR FARMS.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 2530 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the Year 1913, Relating to the Duties of Superintendents of County Asylums and Poor Farms, and to Provide for the Payment of Hospital Fees by Patients Received at County Asylums and Poor Farms Maintaining Hospitals, in Certain Cases.

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

Sec. 1. That Section 2530 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913 be hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 2530. DUTY OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ASYLUM.) The Superintendent shall receive into his care and custody all persons who may become a county charge as paupers and take such measures for the employment and support of such paupers, and perform such other duties as the Board of County Commissioners shall from time to time order and direct, consistent with the laws of this State: provided that the Superintendent shall not admit a patient or pauper without first obtaining an order from the Commissioner of the district where such patient or pauper resides or belongs, except in cases where immediate attention is required. the Superintendent may admit such paupers or patients, but shall immediately thereafter notify such Commissioner. In the case of asylums and poor farms maintaining a hospital and having hospital facilities, the County Commissioner furnishing an order for admission of a patient may arrange with such patient that such patient shall pay a reasonable sum for his or her care at such hospital, provided such patient or the parent or guardian of such patient has ability to pay therefor, and in case of a patient admitted to such hospital as a pauper, if it shall develop that such patient owned property or otherwise had the ability to pay for his care in such hospital, the county shall have the right to recover from such patient the reasonable value of his care in such hospital. The Commissioner ordering the admittance of a patient to such hospital shall notify the Superintendent at the time of making such order whether the patient is admitted as a pauper or as a pay patient.

Sec. 2. REPEAL.) All Acts or parts of Acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved March 7, 1919.