

MENTALLY ILL AND RETARDED, TUBERCULAR, BLIND, AND DEAF

CHAPTER 226

SENATE BILL NO. 2178

(Committee on State and Federal Government)

(At the request of the Director of Institutions)

QUALIFICATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT OF GRAFTON STATE SCHOOL

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 25-04-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the qualifications of superintendent of Grafton state school.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 25-04-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

25-04-03. QUALIFICATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT.) The superintendent of Grafton state school shall be a skilled administrator with professional training and experience relating to the needs of the mentally retarded. The superintendent shall designate a qualified and duly licensed physician as chief of medical staff and such chief of staff shall have the power, with advice and consent of the superintendent, to employ and discharge additional physicians, nurses, and professional assistants and shall be responsible for defining their qualifications and duties. All other employees shall be appointed and removed by the superintendent or a personnel director to be named by him. The salaries of all employees shall be fixed by the director within the limits of the legislative appropriations made for such purpose.

Approved March 19, 1973

CHAPTER 227

SENATE BILL NO. 2172

(Committee on Social Welfare and Veterans' Affairs)
(At the request of the Director of Institutions)

SAN HAVEN STATE HOSPITAL AS DIVISION
OF GRAFTON STATE SCHOOL

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 25-05-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the administrative placement of the San Haven state hospital as a division of the Grafton state school.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 25-05-01 of the 1971 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

25-05-01. SAN HAVEN STATE HOSPITAL - MAINTAINED - LOCATION.) There shall be maintained at Dunseith, in the county of Rolette, a division of the Grafton state school which shall be known as the San Haven state hospital. The San Haven state hospital may be used for the prevention and treatment of tuberculosis of every kind or nature and for such other purposes as may be consistent with the uses and purposes of the Grafton state school.

Approved March 8, 1973

CHAPTER 228

SENATE BILL NO. 2180
(Committee on State and Federal Government)
(At the request of the Director of Institutions)

SAN HAVEN SUPERINTENDENT

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 25-05-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the qualifications of the superintendent of San Haven state hospital.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 25-05-02 of the 1971 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

25-05-02. QUALIFICATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT - RECORDS OF PATIENTS - SALARIES.) The superintendent of the Grafton state school shall also serve as the superintendent of the San Haven state hospital. The superintendent shall have the power to appoint an assistant superintendent, necessary physicians, and all other employees and define their qualifications and duties. The superintendent shall designate a qualified and duly licensed physician as chief of medical staff for the San Haven state hospital and such chief of staff shall have the power, with the advice and consent of the superintendent, to employ and discharge additional physicians, nurses and professional assistants and shall have the responsibility of defining their qualifications and duties. All other employees shall be appointed and removed by the superintendent or a personnel director to be named by him. He shall cause complete case histories and records to be kept of all persons admitted as patients at the San Haven state hospital, including a record of the period of treatment of each patient. The salaries of all employees shall be fixed by the director within the limits of the legislative appropriations made for such purpose.

Approved March 21, 1973

CHAPTER 229

HOUSE BILL NO. 1084

(Committee on Social Welfare)

(At request of Director of Institutions and State Health Department)

DISCONTINUANCE OF
TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM

AN ACT authorizing the director of institutions to discontinue operation of the tuberculosis sanatorium and transfer the responsibility of the care of tuberculous patients to the state department of health.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1.) Notwithstanding any other provisions of chapter 25-05, the director of institutions is authorized to discontinue operation of the state tuberculosis sanatorium and to transfer responsibility to the state department of health for the inpatient and outpatient care of persons afflicted or suspected of being afflicted with tuberculosis. If the state health officer determines that suspected or actual tuberculous patients may be adequately cared for on an inpatient basis by contract basis with general hospitals, authority for contracting with such hospitals is granted to the state health officer. In addition, the state health officer is authorized to establish and maintain the necessary outpatient clinics for diagnostic workup and evaluation on all suspected or actual tuberculous patients in the state. The state health officer shall pay the contract fee to general hospitals and provide funds to the outpatient evaluation clinics from funds to be appropriated for this purpose by the legislative assembly. The state's claim on patient benefits as provided in section 25-05-10.2 shall apply insofar as applicable to tuberculous patients in general hospitals and for services rendered in outpatient clinics.

Approved March 14, 1973

CHAPTER 230

SENATE BILL NO. 2344
(Nething, Melland)

LIABILITY OF RELATIVES
FOR CARE OF PATIENTS

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 25-09-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to liability of relatives for expenses of care and treatment of patients of the state hospital, state school, and San Haven state hospital.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 25-09-04 of the 1971 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

25-09-04. RESPONSIBLE RELATIVES SHALL PAY FOR CARE AND TREATMENT - DEFINITION.) In the event of a patient's inability to pay for the costs of care and treatment, responsible relatives of such patient at the state hospital or state school shall pay to the supervising department monthly, the actual cost of care and treatment incurred by the state at each institution, or such lesser amount as may be determined by law. For purposes of this chapter and title 25 of this Code, "responsible relatives" shall mean the patient's spouse, father, or mother. No responsible relative shall be required to pay such costs for children upon such children reaching their eighteenth birthday in regard to indebtedness incurred from and after July 1, 1971.

Approved March 21, 1973

CHAPTER 231

HOUSE BILL NO. 1253
(Berg, Kingsbury)

SALE OF LAND TO
GRAFTON AMERICAN LEGION

AN ACT authorizing the director of institutions to convey certain state land under the control and management of the Grafton state school to Grafton post no. 41 of the North Dakota department of the American legion.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1.) The director of institutions is hereby authorized to convey certain state land under the control and management of the Grafton state school to Grafton post no. 41 of the North Dakota department of the American legion, which land is described and located as follows:

Commencing at a point on the north right-of-way line of North Dakota state highway seventeen, three hundred twenty-five feet west of the southwest corner of lot sixteen, block six, of the west addition to the city of Grafton, North Dakota; thence northerly three hundred feet; thence westerly three hundred ninety-five feet; thence southerly three hundred feet to the north right-of-way line of North Dakota state highway seventeen; thence easterly along the right-of-way line three hundred ninety-five feet to the point of beginning. Said tract contains two and seventy-two hundredths acres, more or less, and is situated in the west one-half of the southwest one-quarter of section thirteen, township one hundred fifty-seven north, range fifty-three west, county of Walsh.

SECTION 2.) The tract described in section 1 of this Act shall be conveyed for three thousand two hundred sixty-four dollars in accordance with sections 54-01-05.1 and 38-09-01 of the North Dakota Century Code. The proceeds shall be deposited in the general fund of the state treasury.

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