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# INSANE, STATE ASYLUM FOR

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## CHAPTER 186.

[H. B. No. 248—Lambert.]

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### INSANE PATIENTS, COMMITMENT.

AN ACT to Amend Section 26 of Chapter 62, Laws of 1911, Relating to Board of Control, and Providing for the Commitment of Non-Resident Insane Patients to the State Hospital by County Board of Commissioners of Insanity.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 26 of Chapter 62 of the Laws of 1911 of the State of North Dakota be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 26. INSANE PATIENTS, RESIDENCE UNKNOWN.] Whenever the county authorities shall send to a hospital for the insane a patient whose residence is in another state or foreign country, or whose residence is unknown, and whose maintenance is charged to the state, such county authorities shall notify the state board of control, which shall immediately inquire as to the residence of such person and the propriety of his retention in the state hospital. If the residence of said person is found to be in another state or foreign country, the board shall see that he is sent to his residence. No patient to be maintained at state expense shall be retained permanently at the state hospital without the formal order of the board of control.

Approved March 14, 1913.

## CHAPTER 187.

[H. B. No. 145—Lambert.]

## INSANE PERSONS.

AN ACT to Amend and Re-enact Section 15 of Chapter 137 of the Session Laws of 1907, Relating to the Payment of Costs of Treatment and Board of Patients in the Insane Hospital.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 15 of Chapter 137 of the Session Laws of 1907 is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 15. EXPENSES CHARGEABLE AGAINST THE ESTATE OF INSANE PERSONS.] The amount of expense incurred by any county in this state for treatment and maintenance of any insane person in the State Hospital for the Insane shall be charged against the estate of such insane person; *provided*, that the insane person has no heirs within the United States dependent upon said estate for support; and *provided*, further, that no real property shall be sold during the life of the insane person, except for the maintenance and support of the family of said insane person, when it is shown to be for the best interests of the state upon order of the proper court; and further provided that no personal property shall be sold under five years from the date of sending such insane person to the State Hospital for the Insane, unless by order of the proper court, where such property is liable to deteriorate in value during the time above specified, and when sold as above the county court shall order the proceeds thereof to be safely invested for the benefit of such insane person, or be used for the support and maintenance of the family of such insane person.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, an emergency exists this shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

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