

## CHAPTER 142.

[H. B. No. 45—Harris.]

PROHIBITING SALE OR NEGOTIATION OF A PROMISSORY NOTE  
TAKEN IN PAYMENT OF A FIRST PREMIUM OF A LIFE,  
HEALTH OR ACCIDENT INSURANCE POLICY.

An Act to Prohibit the Sale or Negotiation of a Promissory Note Taken in Payment of a First Premium of a Life, Health or Accident Insurance Policy, until after the Applicant has been Examined or has received a Binding Receipt, and the Examination has been received by the Insuring Company.

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

§ 1. No promissory note taken in settlement of the first premium on any life, health or accident insurance policy, shall be in any manner sold or negotiated prior to the applicant's medical examination, where one is required or unless a binding receipt for such premium signed by an authorized agent of such insurance company has been delivered to the applicant, nor until such application and medical examination has been received by such insurance company.

§ 2. PENALTY.] Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall for the first offense be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days, or by both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court, and for the second offense shall be punished by fine or imprisonment as provided in the case of the first offense.

Approved, February 20, 1917.

## INSANE

## CHAPTER 143.

[H. B. No. 244—Liederbach.]

## COMMITMENT OF FEEBLE MINDED PERSONS.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 1714 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, Relating to the Commitment of Feeble Minded Persons to the Institution for the Feeble Minded.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 1714 of the Compiled Laws of the State of North Dakota for the year 1913 is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

§ 1714. All feeble minded persons residents of this state, who,

in the opinion of the superintendent, are of suitable age and capacity to receive instruction in the institution for the feeble minded, and whose defects prevent them from receiving proper training in the public schools of the state and all idiotic and epileptic persons residents of this state shall receive the benefits of the institution subject to the payment of the sums hereinafter provided, and to such rules and regulations as may be made by the Board of Control; provided, however that any inmate of such institution shall not be removed therefrom except on written request of the parent, guardian or custodian of such inmate which said request must receive the approval of the Board of Control and superintendent before such inmate can be removed. Feeble minded persons shall be committed to the institution for the feeble minded in the same manner and on pursuing the same course of legal commitment as govern admission to the State Hospital for the Insane. Such commitment shall comply with such rules and regulations as may be made by the Board of Control, and shall be accompanied by the certificate of indigence as provided in Chapter 113 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for the year 1915.

Approved March 12, 1917.

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#### CHAPTER 144.

[H. B. No. 202—Committee on Appropriations.]

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##### COST OF MAINTAINING PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL FOR INSANE.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 1762 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, Relating to the Cost of Maintaining Patients in the Hospital for the Insane.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 1762 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913 is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

§ 1762. COST OF TREATMENT. HOW DETERMINED.] The board of control of the state hospital for the insane shall from time to time fix the amount to be paid for the board, care and treatment of the patients, which shall not exceed the sum of eighteen dollars per month for residents of the state; provided, however that all nonresidents 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.

Approved March 10, 1917.

## CHAPTER 145.

[S. B. No. 202—Murphy.]

## FEEBLE MINDED PERSONS.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 1717 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, as Amended by Section 4 of Chapter 113 of the Session Laws of 1915, Relating to the Support of Feeble Minded Persons in the Institution for the Feeble Minded.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 1717 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913 as amended by Section 4 of Chapter 113 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for the year 1915 is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

§ 1717. The person legally responsible for the support of any person admitted to the Institution for the Feeble Minded shall pay the sum of fifteen dollars per month during all the time such defective person is an inmate of the Institution. This amount shall be paid to the County Treasurer monthly. If the person liable to pay this amount fails or neglects to make payment thereof upon demand by the Auditor, the Board of County Commissioners must direct the States Attorney to bring an action in the name of the state against such person for the recovery of such payments as are delinquent. This action shall be a civil action and shall be brought in the district court of the county responsible for the inmate in the institution for Feeble Minded. If the person liable for the support of such inmate be unable to pay such sum, for which inability the certificate of the county judge of the county from which such inmate was admitted shall be prima facie evidence, such sum shall be a charge upon the county and no action shall be brought or maintained against a person unable to pay for the support of such inmate after the county judge has issued the certificate herein provided. Provided, however, that before such certificate of inability to pay be issued by the county judge, full and correct answers must be given to a property statement, the form of which shall be prepared by the State Board of Control, in the same manner as prescribed for the admission of patients to the Hospital for the Insane by section 2560 of the Compiled Laws for the year 1913; and the correct postoffice address of the parent, parents, guardian or next of kin of such feeble minded person shall be given. A copy of such property statement and the address of the parent, parents, guardian or next of kin of such feeble minded person shall be attached to and made a part of the said certificate of the county judge.

Approved March 1, 1917

## CHAPTER 146.

[S. B. No. 90—Gronvold.]

## LOCATION OF ASYLUM FOR INSANE.

An Act Locating the Asylum for the Insane Authorized by the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of North Dakota which was approved by the Electors of the State at the Last General Election, at or near the City of Rugby, Pierce County.

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

§ 1. There is hereby located at or near the City of Rugby in Pierce County, North Dakota, the asylum for the insane authorized by the amendment to the Constitution of North Dakota, which was approved by the electors of the State at the general election in November, 1916.

Approved March 16, 1917.

## IMMIGRATION

## CHAPTER 147.

[H. B. No. 140—Stinger.]

## PROSPECTIVE SETTLERS.

An Act to Provide Reliable Information to Prospective Settlers, and to Protect Both Seller and Buyer from Unfair and Unscrupulous Dealers in Lands, Also to Encourage Immigration.

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

§ 1. DUTIES OF COMMISSIONERS OF LABOR OR HIS AGENTS.] It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor or his agents to make, or cause to be made a collection of the different products of our state, and to arrange them in sets, of samples, showing the several grains and grasses that thrive best in North Dakota, also any coal or mineral deposits, also samples of clays that are capable of being reduced into mercantile products, and cause each set so selected to be put into a neat case with one side covered with glass, so as to show such products, and to establish several headquarters, or places, where these cases shall be placed, where the public will congregate, or pass, so as to show the public our advantages for settlers in a fair and economical manner; and such Commissioner of Labor or his agents shall attend gatherings wherever practicable and exhibit one of these sample cases, and if called upon shall address gatherings on the subject of the advantages and opportunities of the settler in North Dakota; they shall also cause pamphlets to be printed explaining the ad-