

§ I. BOUNTY FOR TREE PLANTING.] Any person who shall hereafter plant, cultivate and keep in growing, thrifty condition one acre and not more than ten acres of prairie land with any kind of forest trees, and shall plant, or have planted said trees, shall be entitled to four dollars (\$4.00) for each acre so planted and cultivated and two dollars (\$2.00) bounty per acre for each succeeding year up to four, in which such trees are kept cultivated and growing, to be paid out of the general fund of the county wherein such trees are so planted, but such bounty shall not be so paid unless such grove be maintained upon a tract of not less than eighty acres and shall have at least four hundred living trees in each acre so maintained and kept in growing condition, and in no case shall any bounty be paid in excess of the amount of real estate taxes levied for such year upon the quarter section of land of which such parcel of land planted to trees is a part. Provided, further, that in the event there are any unpaid taxes levied and unpaid against the quarter section of land of which such parcel of land planted to trees is a part at the time application is made for said bounty, such bounty, if allowed, shall be credited upon the amount of such taxes so unpaid, and only the amount in excess of such taxes shall be paid to the applicant.

Approved February 28, 1939.

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## TUBERCULOSIS

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### CHAPTER 246 S. B. No. 86—(Guthrie)

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#### TREATMENT OF PATIENTS—TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM

An act to amend and re-enact Section 2588 of the Supplement to the Compiled Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 251 of the Session Laws of 1929, relating to the treatment of patients at the North Dakota Tuberculosis Sanatorium and declaring an emergency.

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

§ I. AMENDMENT.] That Section 2588 of the 1925 Supplement to the 1913 Compiled Laws of North Dakota, as amended by Chapter 251 of the Session Laws of 1929, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 2588. COST OF MAINTENANCE OF PATIENTS, HOW PAID.] All persons admitted as patients to the sanatorium shall pay to said institution the cost of their maintenance. The charges for any patient or patients may, however, be paid by any person or persons or so-

ciety. The determination of each sum shall be made by the superintendent with the approval of the board of administration. Any person who is unable to pay the charges for his or her support may be admitted to the sanatorium if it has been determined by the examining physician that such person is suffering from tuberculosis of any kind or nature, provided, however, that before such person shall be admitted to the sanatorium, he or she shall have a statement from the judge of the county court of the county within which he or she resides, setting forth the fact that he or she is unable to pay the regular charges. Said judge, upon the presentation of the report of the duly authorized examining physician that such person is afflicted with tuberculosis of any kind or nature, shall make an investigation and shall require such person to give full and correct answers to a property statement in the same manner as prescribed for admission of patients to the Hospital for the Insane by Section 2560 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, and if he finds that such applicant or his legal representatives are actually unable to pay such charges, he shall approve in writing the application of such person. Said judge shall immediately forward to the superintendent of the sanatorium a certificate in writing, giving the correct postoffice address of the parent, guardian or next of kin for such patient and stating that said patient is unable to pay such charges and he or she is a resident of the county in which such application has been approved, or has no residence in any county of this State, together with a copy of said property statement. The county from which such patient has been so certified, or the State at large in cases where no county residence has been determined shall be charged with the maintenance of such patient at the rate of ten dollars (\$10.00) per week during the time that he or she remains in such institution as an inmate. Such charge shall be collected in the manner provided in Section 2568, to 2579, inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for 1913; provided, however, the admission of every patient shall be subject to the final approval of the superintendent and the Board of Administration.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] This act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval.

Approved March 13, 1939.