

CHAPTER 145.

AN ACT TO ORGANIZE A SCHOOL FOR IDIOTS AND IMBECILES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. There is established in connection with the Minnesota Institute for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind, at Faribault, in Rice county, Minnesota, a department styled the Minnesota School for Idiots and Imbeciles.

SEC. 2. Said school shall be under the control of the Board of Directors of said Institute, who shall have the same power to organize, direct and supervise the said department for idiots and imbeciles, as it now has the departments of the deaf, dumb and blind; and the several officers of the said Board of Directors shall extend their duties to the administration of the affairs of said school, and said Board of Directors shall properly provide for the care and the custody of the idiotic and the training and education of the feeble-minded entrusted to their care.

SEC. 3. All imbeciles and idiotic children and youth actually residents of the State for one year, of suitable age and condition, may be received into said school upon recommendation of the Superintendent of said school and approval of the Board of Directors, under such rules and regulations for furnishing clothing and transportation as such Board may make as a condition of admission, not to exceed in amount or value the sum of forty dollars (\$40) per annum for each person so received. *Provided*, that no person shall be received into said school for care and training until the State shall have provided accommodations therefor, except such as are regularly assigned thereto from the Hospital for the Insane of the State of Minnesota.

SEC. 4. Whenever any such children or youth so received shall be otherwise provided for, or shall in the opinion of the Superintendent of said school become capable of self support, or when no provision shall be made to comply with the conditions of their admission, they shall be discharged from said school.

SEC. 5. All imbeciles and idiots who are proper subjects for this school who have no parents or guardians known to the authorities, or are the children of indigent persons unable to provide for them, are hereby made a charge upon the several counties where they reside and from which they may be sent, for the expenses mentioned in the third section of this act, which facts of destitution and indigence shall be established *prima facie*, by the certificate thereto of the Judge of Probate and a majority of the County Commissioners of such

Control of
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Conditions of
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counties respectively; and upon the presentation of a certificate of the Superintendent of this school, attested by the Secretary of the Board of Directors, to the Auditor of any county, that any such destitute or indigent idiot or imbecile is a regular and proper inmate of this school from his county, such County Auditor shall annually draw his order on the Treasurer of his county in favor of the Treasurer of such Board of Directors for such sum of money as has been fixed, as the condition of admission to such school, so long as such subject shall remain at such school, and the County Treasurer upon whom such order shall be drawn shall pay the same upon presentation.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 14, 1881.

CHAPTER 146.

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR ERECTING A BUILDING FOR THE SCHOOL FOR IDIOTS AND IMBECILES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$2500), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, to be expended in the erection of a building for the Minnesota school for idiots and imbeciles, the same to be paid upon warrants drawn by the President and countersigned by the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Institute for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, and that on presentation of such warrants to the State Auditor it shall be his duty to draw warrants on the State Treasurer for like amounts: such money to be expended under the direction of said Board of Directors. *Provided*, that the warrants of the State Auditor on the State Treasurer for fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) of this appropriation shall not be drawn during the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (1881.)

Amount appropriated—
how to be paid.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March, 7, 1881: