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CHAPTER 282.

The Boys' Welfare Home and School Act.

1. In this Act,—

- (a) "Board" shall mean Boys' Welfare Board of Ontario; Interpretation.
"Board."
- (b) "Boy" shall mean any male youth who has a legal residence in Ontario as hereinafter provided in this Act and who is normal in mind and body and capable of receiving an education and training that will enable him to earn a living; "Boy."
- (c) "Inspector" shall mean Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities designated by the Minister to inspect hospitals and public charities under *The Prisons and Public Charities Inspection Act*; "Inspector."
Rev. Stat.
c. 361.
- (d) "Minister" shall mean the member of the Executive Council charged for the time being with the administration of this Act; "Minister."
- (e) "Municipality" shall mean any organized county, city, separated town or township in Ontario; "Municipality."
- (f) "Residence" for the purpose of this Act shall mean the actual home of the boy in any municipality in Ontario for a continuous period of six months within the twelve months next prior to the date of the application for his admission to the said home and school; "Residence."
- (g) "Prescribed" shall mean prescribed by this Act or by the regulations made by authority of this Act; "Prescribed."
- (h) "Regulations" shall mean regulations made under this Act; "Regulations."
- (i) "Superintendent" shall mean the person who has been appointed to such position. 1927, c. 92, s. 2. "Superintendent."

2. A boys' welfare home and school may be established in any county or district in Ontario to which shall be attached not less than one hundred acres of agricultural land with suitable buildings thereon for farming purposes and with such other equipment and buildings as in the opinion of the Minister Establishment of boys' home and school.

ter are necessary to provide the boys admitted therein with a mental, moral and manual education and training and with profitable employment. 1927, c. 92, s. 3.

Title of property to vest in His Majesty.

1925, c. 80.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in *The Boys' Welfare Act, 1925*, or in any other general or special Act in force in Ontario, the title in fee simple to any real property purchased or acquired for the purposes of this Act shall be vested in the name of His Majesty as represented herein by the Minister of Public Works and Highways for the Province of Ontario. 1927, c. 92, s. 4.

Excess cost of maintenance,—how paid.

4. The cost of the maintenance of any boys' home and school, in excess of what is contributed by or on behalf of the boys who may be admitted therein, or by any municipal corporation, as hereafter provided in this Act, shall be paid out of such moneys as may be voted by the Legislative Assembly and appropriated for that purpose. 1927, c. 92, s. 5.

Gifts.

5. Any municipal corporation, any association, corporation or individual may make gifts of real or personal property to a boys' welfare home and school. 1927, c. 92, s. 6.

Institution to have sole control of boys.

6. Every boy admitted to a welfare home and school shall upon his admission become a ward of that institution and shall be subject to the control of the Board and superintendent in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of a guardian appointed by statute or by any court or by any will or instrument and all rights and powers of the parent or any such guardian over a boy so admitted shall upon his admission cease and determine unless the Board or the inspector otherwise provides that the wardship of the home and school shall cease and determine upon the boy being discharged therefrom. 1927, c. 92, s. 7.

"Board."

7. There shall be established a board of nine members which shall be known as the "Boys' Welfare Board of Ontario." 1927, c. 92, s. 8.

Appointment of members of Board.

8. The members of the Board shall be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council with the powers and for the purposes hereinafter prescribed. 1927, c. 92, s. 9.

Period of office.

9. Of the first members of the Board three shall be appointed for a period of three years from the date of their appointment, three for a period of two years from the date of their appointment and three for a period of one year from the date of their appointment, and thereafter members appointed to fill vacancies arising from the expiry of office or from the retirement of members from office or from any other cause

shall be appointed for a period of three years. 1927, c. 92, s. 10. *

10. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may from time to time appoint one of the members of the Board to be the chairman thereof and another member of the Board to be the secretary thereof. 1927, c. 92, s. 11. Chairman and secretary.

11. The Board shall meet from time to time at the call of the chairman thereof at the said boys' home and school and shall inspect every part of it, having special regard to the following features: Inspections by Board.

- (a) The condition of its equipment;
- (b) The quality and suitability of the dietary;
- (c) Whether religious services are provided for the boys in residence therein, either at the institution or elsewhere;
- (d) What occupations or amusements are provided for the benefit of the boys;
- (e) What system of restraint is adopted and when said system is used;
- (f) What provision is made for sick boys;
- (g) The exact number of boys and how they are classified;
- (h) The legal sufficiency of the authority under which the said boys are detained in the said institution;
- (i) What books or records are in use;
- (j) The general appearance of the buildings and lands; and
- (k) Generally as to any other matter in which it is deemed proper to inquire. 1927, c. 92, s. 12.

12. The Board shall make a report to the Minister following each visit of inspection and may make any recommendation in regard to any of the features named in the preceding section. 1927, c. 92, s. 13. Report to Minister.

13. The members of the Board shall be paid their necessary travelling and other expenses from such moneys as may be appropriated by the Legislature for the maintenance of the said boys' home and school. 1927, c. 92, s. 14. Expenses of Board.

14. Where the cost of the maintenance and education of any boy admitted to a boys' welfare home and school is not paid by or on behalf of such boy by his parent or parents at When cost of maintenance and education to be chargeable against municipality.

not less than fifty cents per day, the said Board may charge against the municipal corporation of the municipality in which such boy had his residence as defined in this Act upon his admission to said institution the sum of seventy-five cents per day for the maintenance and education of such boy for each actual day's stay of the said boy in the said institution. 1927, c. 92, s. 15.

What to constitute income.

15. The income of any boys' welfare home and school, in addition to the Legislative grant, shall consist of moneys paid for or on behalf of the maintenance and education of such boys as may be admitted therein, moneys received from the sale of agricultural products or goods or articles manufactured therein, donations from educational or philanthropic sources and payments made by municipal corporations as hereinafter provided. 1927, c. 92, s. 16.

Cost of maintenance and education,—how paid.

16. The cost of the maintenance, education and travelling expenses of any boy admitted therein shall be paid in whole or in part from one or more of the following sources:

- (a) By the said boy or from his estate, at such a rate as may be arranged at or subsequent to the time of his admission;
- (b) By the parent of the said boy at such a rate as may be arranged at or subsequent to the time of his admission;
- (c) By the municipality in which the said boy had his residence as defined in this Act;
- (d) From the Legislative grant. 1927, c. 92, s. 17.

Regulations.

17. Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council the inspector may make regulations for the following purposes:

- (a) For the appointment of such officers and employees as may be deemed necessary and for fixing the salaries and remuneration of such persons as may be so appointed;
- (b) For fixing the age at which and the conditions under which boys may be admitted to the said home and school and the period during which any boy may be kept at the said institution and the conditions under which he may leave or be discharged therefrom;
- (c) For regulating the conduct, discipline, training and education of the boys admitted in residence to the said institution and for providing for their religious and moral training and instruction;

- (d) For providing for the use in the said institution of such products as may be produced on the premises of the said home and school, and for the sale of any surplus products or articles produced or manufactured on the said premises;
 - (e) For the remuneration to be paid to any boy for faithful service; and
 - (f) Generally for the management and direction of the affairs and maintenance of the said home and school. 1927, c. 92, s. 18.
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