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CHAPTER 349.

The District Houses of Refuge Act.

- 1.** In this Act "District" shall mean a provisional judicial district. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 2.
- 2.** A house of refuge may be established, erected and maintained in a district when a by-law authorizing the same has been passed in a majority of the organized municipalities of such district. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 3.
- 3.** When by-laws authorizing the same have been passed in a majority of the organized municipalities in two or more contiguous districts a joint house or refuge may be established. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 4, *part*.
- 4.** When such by-laws have been passed certified copies shall be transmitted to the Provincial Secretary for the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and, if approved of, a board of management shall be appointed as hereinafter provided. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 5.
- 5.**—(1) The board of management shall be a corporation and shall consist of five persons resident in the district, and shall be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for a term of three years, and in the case of contiguous districts agreeing to join in a joint house of refuge, the board shall consist of three persons resident in each of the districts appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for a term of three years. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 6 (1); 1922, c. 104, s. 1.
- (2) The members of the board shall hold office for a term of three years and until their successors are appointed. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 6 (2).
- 6.** The board shall select the site for the house of refuge, which shall be inspected by one of the inspectors of prisons and public charities and approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 7.
- 7.** The board shall have charge of the erection and maintenance of the house of refuge and shall have the same powers as provided for in sections 6 and 7 of *The Houses of Refuge Act*. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 8.

Interpretation.
"District."

How established.

Joint houses of refuge.

Approved by Lieutenant-Governor.
Board of management.

How composed.

Term of office.

Site for house.

Powers of board.

Rev. Stat. c. 348.

8. The board shall have the powers which are conferred upon the council of a county by sections 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14 of *The Houses of Refuge Act*, and those sections so far as applicable to a house of refuge established by a county shall apply to a house of refuge established under this Act. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 9.

Powers of county councils conferred on boards of management. Rev. Stat. c. 348.

9. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that there be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the board of each house of refuge erected in a district, and which has acquired not less than forty-five acres of land and uses it in connection therewith, a sum not exceeding \$4,000. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 10.

Grant from Consolidated Revenue Fund to board of management.

10. Where two or more districts establish a joint house of refuge under this Act and have acquired one hundred acres of land and use it in connection therewith, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that there be paid to the board out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding \$4,000 for each district uniting in the establishment of such joint house of refuge. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 11.

In the case of a joint house.

11. The amount of the grant shall not in the case of a house of refuge established for a district exceed the amount levied and collected in such district for the purpose of the establishment and erection of the house of refuge, and in the case of a joint house of refuge the aggregate of the amounts levied and collected for such purpose in the districts by which the house of refuge is established. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 12.

Assessment for maintenance.

12.—(1) The cost of establishing, erecting and maintaining a house of refuge shall be defrayed by the corporations of the organized municipalities in the districts by which it is established in proportion to the amount of their assessment according to the last revised assessment roll, and by the rate-payers in school sections in unorganized townships in proportion to the amount of the assessment for school purposes.

Providing cost of maintenance.

(2) In unorganized townships the amount required to be raised for the purposes of this Act shall be apportioned by the board among the different school sections in proportion to their respective assessments for school purposes, and shall be assessed, levied and collected by the same persons, in the same manner and at the same times as rates for school purposes, and shall when collected be paid over to the board; and the provisions of law with respect to school taxes in unorganized townships shall, so far as practicable, apply *mutatis mutandis* to the rates levied under this Act.

Apportionment of amount.

In unorganized townships, etc.

In organized townships.

(3) The board shall in each year apportion the amount which it estimates will be required to defray the expenditure for that year among the organized municipalities and school sections liable to pay the same, and shall on or before the 31st day of January notify the clerk of each municipality, and in unorganized townships the secretary of each school board, of the amount to be provided, and each municipality and school section in unorganized municipalities shall pay such amount to the board on demand, and shall include the same in its estimates for the then current year and levy and collect the same in like manner as taxes are levied and collected. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 13.

Notice of amount to be provided.

Aid from Legislative grants. Rev. Stat. c. 359.

13. A house of refuge established under this Act shall be entitled to receive aid under *The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act* at a per diem rate fixed from time to time by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for each inmate while he is maintained therein. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 14; 1919, c. 83, s. 12.

Accounts to be submitted and audited.

14. The accounts of a house of refuge shall be submitted quarterly to one of the inspectors of prisons and public charities, and audited in the same manner as accounts relating to the administration of justice in districts. R.S.O. 1914, c. 291, s. 15.
