

and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "The action on the undertaking must be in the court in which the defendant was or would have been required to appear by the undertaking, and if suit is brought, any recovery thereon shall be paid to the county in which the defendant was indicted, less the costs of suit;".

Approved February 27, A. D. 1911.

CHAPTER 186.

PARDONS.

S. F. 139.

AN ACT to amend section fifty-six hundred and twenty-six (5626) of the supplement to the code, 1907, referring to the matter of pardons and remission of fines and forfeitures, and the powers of the board of parole.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Board of parole to recommend pardons. Section fifty-six hundred and twenty-six (5626) of the supplement to the code 1907, is hereby amended by striking out of lines five (5) and seven (7) the words "general assembly" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "board of parole"; and by striking out of lines twelve (12) and thirteen (13) in said section the words "commencement of the session of the general assembly," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "session of the board of parole".

SEC. 2. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader and Des Moines Capital, newspapers published in the city of Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved February 15, A. D. 1911.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Capital February 17, 1911.

W. C. HAYWARD,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 187.

COMMITMENT OF FEMALES TO CERTAIN BENEVOLENT OR CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

H. F. 156.

AN ACT to provide for the commitment of females to certain benevolent or charitable institutions, in certain cases, for the violation of laws, ordinances or police regulations and to require work from such persons so committed, and to provide for the supervision of such institutions by the board of control. [Additional to title twenty-five (XXV) of the code, relating to criminal procedure.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Commitments authorized—conditions. In all cases in which any court, for the violation of any law, ordinance or police regulation has power to commit the accused to a county, city or town jail, such court in lieu of ordering the accused committed to such jail, shall have power to order the accused, if a female, committed to any institution as herein provided, which is situated within the judicial district, within any part of which such court has juris-

diction, provided such institution is willing to receive the accused under such commitment without expense to the state. No female shall be so committed for a time longer than would be legal if committed to a jail. If the court has already committed such female to a jail and thereafter it appears that any such institution is willing to receive such female under a commitment, and under the conditions herein imposed, then, in such case, the court shall have power to make an additional order, releasing such female from such jail and ordering her committed to such institution for the unexpired time of the original commitment. Any such female may be surrendered at any time to the court, judge or presiding magistrate, making the original order, which court, judge or magistrate may make a further order committing the accused to a proper jail for the unexpired term of the original commitment.

SEC. 2. **Release.** If, after any female is so committed to such institution, a bond is given under which such female is entitled to a release from such commitment, then such female shall be released by an order issued by the officer approving said bond.

SEC. 3. **Under custody and control of manager—labor—"institution" defined.** Any female committed to an institution as herein provided shall be in the legal custody and control of the person residing therein, and who is the immediate managing head of said institution, and such female, whether the commitment so provides or not, shall, while being held under such commitment, do and perform such reasonable, fit and proper labor as such managing head may direct, which labor shall be the sole compensation to such institution for the keep of such female. The term "institution" as herein used shall embrace any institution, society, association, corporation or organization having for its objects, in whole or in part, the furnishing of relief, care and assistance to the poor, dissolute, needy or unfortunate, or any other charitable or benevolent object.

SEC. 4. **Board of control to visit and supervise.** Any institution having any such female in its custody shall be subject to visitation by the board of control, its members or agents, which may require such information from such institution as the said board shall deem necessary, in order to enable it to exercise proper supervision. Should the said board at any time deem any such institution unfit to have the custody of any such female, it shall notify such institution through said managing head, whereupon all such females then in custody of such institution shall be at once surrendered to the court, judge or presiding magistrate, making the original commitment.

Approved March 27, A. D. 1911.

CHAPTER 188.

CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS.

H. F. 12.

AN ACT to provide for prosecuting criminal offenses to final judgment on information to be filed by the county attorney, and without the intervention of the grand jury in cases in which the punishment exceeds a fine of one hundred dollars, or exceeds imprisonment for thirty days and to provide the procedure when so prosecuted on information. [Additional to title twenty-five (XXV) of the code, relating to criminal procedure.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Prosecutions on information.** That from and after the taking effect of this act, criminal offenses in which the punishment exceeds a fine of