

CHAPTER 143

AID FOR THE BLIND

H. F. 372

AN ACT to amend sections three thousand six hundred eighty-four and two hundredths (3684.02), three thousand six hundred eighty-four and three hundredths (3684.03), three thousand six hundred eighty-four and fourteen hundredths (3684.14), three thousand six hundred eighty-four and fifteen hundredths (3684.15), and chapter one hundred eighty-two and one-tenth (182.1), Code, 1939, pertaining to aid to the blind and relating to personal earnings of the blind persons eligible to receive assistance under the provisions of said chapter; relating to expenses for treatment as provided under said chapter; to provide for guardianship proceedings carried out without payment of fees or court costs, at the discretion of the district court, and providing that such a guardian may give bond without sureties; to provide that records and investigations of applicants for, and recipients of, blind assistance shall be privileged communications and shall be held as confidential.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section three thousand six hundred eighty-four and two
2 hundredths (3684.02), subsection eight (8), code, 1939, is hereby
3 amended by striking from line two (2) of said subsection the word
4 "subsistence" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "standard of
5 living".

1 SEC. 2. Section three thousand six hundred eighty-four and three
2 hundredths (3684.03), code, 1939, is hereby amended by striking all of
3 the said section and substituting in lieu thereof, the following:
4 "The amount of assistance which any person shall receive shall be
5 determined with due regard to the resources and expenditures of the
6 individual and in accordance with the rules and regulations made by
7 the federal and state boards, and shall be sufficient when added to
8 other income and support of the recipient, to provide such person with
9 a reasonable standard of living consistent with decency and health;
10 but in no event shall the amount of said assistance exceed forty dollars
11 (\$40.00) per month, except that in the event federal participation
12 shall be granted in excess of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per month per
13 recipient, the state maximum shall then be increased to such amount
14 as will qualify the state for full federal participation."

1 SEC. 3. Section three thousand six hundred eighty-four and four-
2 teen hundredths (3684.14), code, 1939, is amended and revised to read
3 as follows:

4 "On the basis of the finding of the ophthalmologist's examination
5 as provided in section 3684.08, remedial services may be provided by
6 the state board to any person who is in need of treatment either to
7 prevent blindness or to restore his eyesight, whether or not he is a
8 blind person as defined in this chapter, whether or not he is an applicant
9 for or recipient of old-age assistance or blind assistance, or whether
10 or not he is eighteen years of age or over, if he is otherwise qualified
11 for assistance under this chapter, provided such person is unable to
12 assume such expenses for remedial services. The remedial services
13 may include necessary traveling and other expenses to receive treat-
14 ment from a hospital or clinic designated by the state board."

1 SEC. 4. Section three thousand six hundred eighty-four and fifteen

2 hundredths (3684.15), code, 1939, is hereby amended by inserting
 3 immediately following the period (.) in line seven (7) thereof, the
 4 following: "All guardianship proceedings in the case of an applicant
 5 or receiptant shall be carried out without fee or other expense includ-
 6 ing all court costs when, in the opinion of the court, the blind person
 7 is unable to assume said expense. At the discretion of the court, such
 8 a guardian may give bond without sureties."

1 SEC. 5. Chapter one hundred eighty-two and one-tenth (182.1),
 2 code, 1939, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
 3 "All applications, investigations and records shall be privileged
 4 communications and shall be confidential. They shall be used ex-
 5 clusively for the purpose of administering blind assistance by the
 6 state board. The violation of this provision is hereby made a mis-
 7 demeanor and is punishable as such."

Approved April 30, 1941.

CHAPTER 144

REWARD FOR ESCAPED WOMEN'S REFORMATORY INMATES

H. F. 444

AN ACT to amend section three thousand seven hundred thirty-eight (3738), Code, 1939, relating to escaped inmates from the women's reformatory.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section three thousand seven hundred thirty-eight
 2 (3738), code, 1939, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following
 3 sentence:
 4 "For the apprehension and delivery of any such inmate, the super-
 5 intendent may offer a reward, not to exceed fifty dollars, to be paid
 6 by the state in the same manner as provided for the payment of re-
 7 wards for escaped convicts."

Approved April 21, 1941.

CHAPTER 145

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

H. F. 401

AN ACT to amend section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and one one-thousandth (3828.001), Code, 1939; to repeal section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and two one-thousandth (3828.002), Code, 1939; to amend section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and six one-thousandth (3828.006), Code, 1939; to amend section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and eight one-thousandth (3828.008), Code, 1939; to amend section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and ten one-thousandth (3828.010), Code, 1939; to amend section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and twelve one-thousandth (3828.012), Code, 1939; to amend section three thousand eight hundred twenty-eight and fourteen one-thousandth (3828.014), Code, 1939; to amend section three thou-