

SOLDIERS HOME.

II. County jails.

An act concerning county jails.

Approved April 20, 1876.

P. L. 1876, p. 230.

Price for victual-
ing prisoners
fixed by board of
freeholders

45. SEC. 1. That it shall hereafter be lawful for the boards of chosen freeholders in the several counties of this state to fix the price per day for victualing the prisoners confined in the county jails; *provided*, that the price so fixed shall not in any case exceed the amount now fixed by law in any county.

An act respecting county jails.

Approved March 8, 1877.

Board of free-
holders may re-
mit part of sen-
tence for good
conduct of pris-
oner.

46. SEC. 1. That from the sentence of any person to the common jail of any county in this state there may be remitted by the board of chosen freeholders of said county, or by the committee on discharge of prisoners of such board, upon the recommendation of the sheriff or jail warden in whose custody such person may be, for good conduct, a term not exceeding one day for every six days of said sentence.

If such person
again committed,
required to serve
time remitted.

47. SEC. 2. That if any such person shall be again convicted and sentenced to imprisonment in such county jail, such person shall, in addition to such sentence, be required to serve out the number of days remitted to him or her on the previous term.

Board of free-
holders to have
power to remit
fines and costs.

48. SEC. 3. That the board of chosen freeholders of the several counties of this state, or the committee on discharge of prisoners of any such board, shall have power to remit fines and costs due to their respective counties, and to discharge from imprisonment in the county jail of such county, any person committed or held therein, in default of the payment of such fines and costs; but no person shall be discharged, under the provisions of this section, until he or she shall have remained confined for such default for a term at least equaling one day for every dollar so remitted, or for a term of six months in the whole.

All sentences to
county jail to be
made subject to
provisions of this
act.No person to be
discharged with-
out approval of
presiding judge
of common pleas.

49. SEC. 4. That all sentences to the county jail of any county shall be construed and understood to be made under and subject to the provisions of this act; *provided*, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to or affect any person heretofore convicted and now undergoing punishment; *and provided further*, that before any person is discharged in accordance with the provisions of this act, or has his or her fine remitted the action of the board of freeholders in that respect shall be approved of by the presiding judge of the court of common pleas.

Soldiers Home.

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An act to provide for the organization of the New Jersey Home for Disabled Soldiers.

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P. L. 1866, p. 955.

Appointment of
managers.

Term of office.

1. That Marcus L. Ward, Daniel Haines, Charles S. Olden, Edwin A. Stevens, William A. Newell, and Rynear H. Veghte, he and they are hereby appointed managers of the New Jersey Home for Disabled Soldiers, and shall hold their offices for the term of five years and until others are appointed in their stead; subject to removal by the supreme court, on the recommendation of the governor; their successors shall be appointed by the supreme court at the first term of any year; and the said court may at any time fill vacancies in the said board of managers.

2. That the government of the said home shall be vested in the said board of managers, who shall have the general direction and control of all the property and concerns of the institution, and make by-laws, rules, and regulations for the management of the same, and determine the compensation, duties and term of services of its officers and of other persons employed therein, subject to the approval of the governor; the said managers shall receive no compensation for their services, but their actual traveling expenses shall be paid to them by the treasurer on the warrant of the comptroller; and no judge, court, or clerk shall receive any compensation for any service done under this act; and it shall be the duty of the said board of managers to take all necessary measures to secure to the patients a suitable and comfortable home, with clothing and subsistence, and necessary medical and surgical attendance; and the expenses thereof not exceeding the sum of ten thousand dollars in any one year shall be paid by the treasurer on the warrant of the comptroller, on accounts rendered to him by the board, accompanied with an abstract of all the expenditures and the vouchers therefor duly verified; and they may take and hold in trust for the state any grant, lease, or demise of land, and any donation or bequest of any money or chattels for the use of said home.

Powers and duties of board of managers.

3. That the said board of managers shall appoint, subject to the approval of the governor, a commandant of the said home, a superintendent and a chaplain and such other officers, assistants, and attendants as may be necessary and proper; the said commandant and superintendent shall severally enter into bond to the state for the faithful performance of the duties of his office in such sum and with such sureties as the said board shall approve, and any officer, assistant or attendant shall be subject to removal by resolution of the said board.

Appointment of commandant and other officers.

4. That the commandant shall be the chief executive officer of the said home, and shall have the general management and care of the same, and of the buildings and grounds with their furniture, fixtures, and stock, and the command, direction, and treatment of the patients, and of the officers, attendants, and assistants, subject to the general control of the board, and in pursuance of the by-laws, rules, and regulations established by them; and he shall keep a correct and proper diary and record of all his official transactions; he shall be a well educated and competent physician and surgeon.

Duties of commandant.

5. That the superintendent shall be a competent accountant and the chief financial agent, and shall purchase all necessary clothing, provisions, and other supplies for the said home, subject to the approval of the said board, and to the rules and regulations; he shall keep the accounts of the said home and of all the receipts and disbursements, and of all the financial transactions relating thereto; and he is hereby directed and empowered to draw and receive any pension due to any patient and apply it to the use of the said home; all purchases for the use of the said home shall be made for cash, and not on credit or trust, and a voucher for every purchase shall be taken, duly filled up at the time it is taken, and an abstract of the vouchers, verified on oath or affirmation, stating that the money was paid and the voucher taken and filled up at the time of its date, shall be presented with the accounts of the said superintendent; and the said commandant or the said superintendent shall at all times reside at the said home, as the said managers shall direct.

Duties of superintendent.

6. That as soon as the said home shall be ready for the admission of patients, the said board of managers shall cause notice thereof to be published, and also to be sent to the clerk of each county, who shall forthwith transmit a copy thereof to each overseer of each township in their respective counties; and circulars shall accompany the notices to the clerks and overseers of the poor, giving all necessary directions and information respecting the admission and support of the patients.

Notice for admission of patients.

7. That no person shall be admitted into the said home as a patient, except upon the certificate of a judge of the court of common pleas upon proof made to his satisfaction, by the testimony in writing of a respectable physician and other evidence that the applicant has been a soldier in the army of the United States and been honorably discharged from such service, that he is disabled from a wound or wounds received while in

Requisites for admission.

such service, or from sickness or other disability contracted therein or in consequence thereof, that he is necessitous, and has not the ability to procure the means sufficient for his comfortable support and necessary care and attendance, that he is a resident of this state and was not sick at the time he entered such service, which proof shall accompany the said certificate; and the said applicant for admission shall, with the certificate of the judge, present to the commandant a statement in writing signed by himself, setting forth his name in full, the place of his nativity and of his residence at the time of making such application and at the time of his entering the service, his age and occupation, the company and regiment in which, and captain and colonel under whom he served, the time of his service and of his discharge, and also his consent and agreement to transfer to the state for the use of the home any pension to which he may be entitled from any state or from the United States during the time he shall be a patient at the said home, and that he will execute any necessary power and voucher for recovering the same; *and further*, that he will conduct himself properly and submit to the rules, regulations, and discipline of the said home.

Patient admitted to receive benefits.

8. That the patient so admitted, shall be entitled to all the benefits of the said home; and be furnished with clothing, subsistence, medical and surgical attendance, and with whatever may be suitable and necessary to promote his health and contribute to his comfort in accordance with the rules and regulations; but he may be rejected or removed by resolution of the board for want of such qualifications for admission, on his being restored to the ability to promote his own support or for neglect to comply with the terms of his said agreement, or for gross immorality or insubordination.

Managers may grant relief.

9. That the said board may by resolution admit any person as a patient who shall prove to their satisfaction such qualifications, and make in writing such statement and agreement, and they may grant temporary relief to any disabled soldier who in their judgment is necessitous and worthy of relief.

Out-patients may be relieved by board.

10. That the said board may in their discretion grant relief to persons as out-patients who have some but not sufficient means for comfortable support, with the necessary care and attendance, can with such relief be more properly provided for in their private residences; but no such relief shall be granted except upon the proof of the qualifications, and inability of the applicant mentioned in the seventh section of this act, and also of the circumstances of himself and of his family relations, and the relief so granted shall in no case exceed two-thirds of the average cost of each patient at the said home.

Salaries, how paid.

11. That the salaries and allowances to the officers of the said home shall be paid by the treasurer on the warrant of the comptroller on rendering their accounts approved by the said board.

Managers to visit, how.

12. That the said managers shall visit the said home; one of them at least once in every two weeks, and the said board once at least in every three months; and they and each of them shall at all times have access to the said home and to every part thereof, and to every patient in it, and to all the books, records, accounts, vouchers, and papers of every kind pertaining to the same, and the free and full inspection and examination thereof, and they shall keep a book of minutes of their proceedings, and a book in which shall be entered the date of each visit, the condition of the patients, and remarks of the condition and management of the home, to be signed by each of the managers present, and the said board shall make their annual report to the governor on or before the fifteenth day of December in each year.

P. L. 1867, p. 824.

Soldiers from other states may have temporary admission.

13. SEC. 1. That in cases where the commandant of the home deems it advisable, soldiers from other states who may come to the home in distress, and soldiers of our own state whose disability may date subsequent to their service in the army, may have temporary admittance and entertainment at the home.

Supplement.

Approved April 9, 1867.

14. SEC. 2. That men who were not residents of the state when they enlisted, but were disabled while serving in a New Jersey regiment or in the navy, being accredited to the state, may be admitted as beneficiaries of the home. All accredited to this state may be admitted.

15. SEC. 3. That the use of the home as a hospital is permitted in cases requiring surgical treatment or operations, considered suitable by the commandant and where payment of expenses is guaranteed; *provided*, that in no instance shall any patient be admitted under this section who is afflicted with any contagious or infectious disease, or to the exclusion of any soldier entitled under the provisions of the act. When home may be used as a hospital.

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An act for the government and regulation of the state prison.

Passed April 21, 1876. P. L. 1876, p. 246.

1. That the governor, chancellor, chief justice, and attorney general of the state, within one month after the passage of this act, and as often thereafter as the office hereby created shall become vacant, shall, at a meeting called by the governor, choose and appoint, by concurrence of a majority of them, a competent and suitable person to be supervisor of the state prison, who shall be commissioned as such by the governor, and shall hold his office for three years, and until his successor is appointed as aforesaid, and qualified; such supervisor shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars per annum, payable by the treasurer in the same manner as the salaries of state officers are paid; and, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give bond to the state, with two sufficient sureties, to be approved by the governor, in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, with condition that he will well and faithfully discharge all the duties imposed upon him by law, and will well and faithfully use, account for, and pay over according to law, all the moneys of the state at any time received by him; such bond to be acknowledged, recorded and filed in the same manner, and to have the same effect, according to the terms thereof, as is herein provided in respect to the bond of the keeper of the state prison. Appointment of supervisor.
Compensation.
Supervisor to give bond.

2. That for the supervision and control of the state prison, as herein after provided, there shall be a board of five inspectors, composed of the treasurer and comptroller of the state, for the time being, and of three suitable persons, who shall be chosen by the legislature in joint meeting, and shall hold their office for three years, and until others are chosen and legally qualified to act in their stead; and if any vacancy shall happen by the death, removal, resignation or refusal to act, or other disability of any of said inspectors chosen in joint meeting, the governor shall appoint a person or persons to fill the vacancy, but any such appointment to fill a vacancy shall not extend beyond the next succeeding session of the legislature; each of the said inspectors shall receive an annual salary of five Appointment of inspectors.
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