

Orphan Asylums.

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An act for the establishment of orphan asylums.

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| 1. That it shall be lawful for any five or more persons to form themselves into an orphan asylum association for the purpose of receiving, supporting and educating orphan children, upon making and filing a certificate in writing of their organization in the manner hereinafter mentioned. | Orphan asylum associations authorized.
Certificate to be filed. |
| 2. That such a certificate in writing shall set forth :
I. The name assumed to designate such association.
II. The place in this state where such asylum shall be located and the objects for which the association shall be formed. | Certificate, what to contain. |
| III. The period at which such association shall commence; which certificate shall be signed by the persons intending to form such association, and shall be proved or acknowledged and recorded, as required in case of deeds of real estate, in a book kept for the purpose of recording certificates of incorporation in the office of the clerk of the county where such asylum shall be located, and after being recorded, shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state. | To be recorded in county clerk's office.
Filed in office of secretary of state. |
| 3. That the said certificate or a copy thereof duly certified by said clerk or secretary shall be evidence in all courts and places. | To be evidence. |
| 4. That upon making said certificate and causing the same to be recorded and filed as aforesaid, the said persons so associating, their successors and assigns, shall be from [the] time of commencement fixed in said certificate, incorporated into an association by the name mentioned in the said certificate. | Upon making certificate, recording and filing same, persons signing incorporated. |
| 5. That all associations that may hereafter be established within this state, under the provisions hereinbefore contained, shall have power as follows :
I. To apply for and accept the guardianship of orphans or children who have no mother, upon giving proper security and complying with the laws of this state relative to guardianship.
II. To bind out such children as shall have been under their care for more than one year, as said association may deem advisable; <i>provided</i> , that when the parent of any such child shall pay anything to the said association for its support, the consent of such parent to the exercise, by said association of such control over the said child shall be required.
III. To receive and retain all or any such orphan child or children or child having no mother, as may be placed under their charge, subject to such rules, by-laws and regulations, as may from time to time be passed by the managers of said association. | Powers of such corporation.
To apply for and accept guardianship.
To bind out children.
Proviso.
To receive and retain children, etc. |
| 6. That any associations organized as aforesaid shall be governed by a board of managers of not less than five nor more than fifteen, who shall be elected by the members of the association in such manner as the by-laws may provide, the first election to be held within three months next after filing the certificate of incorporation. | Associations, how governed. |
| 7. That the legislature shall have the right to repeal this act and the charter of any association at pleasure. | Act may be repealed. |