

### Standard Time.

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2. Time tables to conform thereto.

An act to provide for a standard time in the state of New Jersey.

P. L. 1884, p. 175.

Approved April 14, 1884.

Standard time of New Jersey established.

1. That the standard time of the state of New Jersey shall be the time of the seventy-fifth meridian west from Greenwich, and that the time named in any of the statutes of this state and in public proclamations, in the rules and orders of the senate and general assembly, in the decrees and orders of the courts and in all notices and advertisements in any legal proceedings, shall be deemed and taken to be the standard time aforesaid.

Time tables to conform to standard time.

2. That the time tables of all public conveyances within this state shall conform to the standard time aforesaid, and that the time named in any notice, advertisement or contract shall be deemed and taken to be the said standard time, unless it be otherwise expressed.

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#### I. Council of charities and correction.

An act to create a council of state charities and correction.

P. L. 1883, p. 249.

Approved March 23, 1883.

Council of state charities and correction, how constituted.

1. That the governor of the state shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, six suitable persons, who shall constitute a council of state charities and correction, of which the governor of the state, for the time being, shall be president and a member ex officio.

Term of office.

2. That the persons first appointed shall serve for one, two, three, four, five, six years, respectively, and that all subsequent appointments shall be for six years, except to fill vacancies which occur through death, resignation or removal.

Regular meetings to be held quarterly.

3. That the said council shall hold regular meetings quarterly at the state-house, Trenton, and there, or at such other places as it may designate, as often as may be necessary; it shall keep a book of minutes, and shall make such rules and regulations to its own proceedings as it may deem necessary; it may investigate the system of public charities and correctional institutions of the state, and examine into the condition and management of all prisons, penitentiaries, jails, reform schools or other places of correctional detention, whether state, county, township, city, town or borough, and the same as to all lunatic asylums, hospitals, infirmaries or other public institutions of charity or care, and persons therein detained, and recommend, in writing, such changes and additional provisions as it may deem necessary or desirable for the economical and efficient administration of any one or all of them, which recommendations shall be laid before the officers, directors and overseers of such institutions.

Powers.

4. That this council of state charities and correction shall appoint from among its members a clerk, who shall keep the minutes and accounts and have charge of the property of said council, to whom may be assigned other special duties in oversight and inspection. **May appoint a clerk from its members.**
5. That the members of the said council, unless assigned to some special duties by the vote and special provision of said board, shall receive no compensation for their services, but that their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties shall be paid by the treasurer of the state when audited by the comptroller and certified by the governor. **Members to receive no compensation unless assigned to special duties.**
6. That said council may appoint from their own number, or from any county in which such institution exists, not to exceed two persons to aid them in inquiry into any county, township, city or town institution of charity or correction in said precincts, who shall, in such case, be duly authenticated by the certificate of said council, signed by the president thereof; no inspection of any state institution shall be had by any inspector appointed by this council outside of its own members. **May appoint persons to aid in inquiry.**
7. That the council may, each year, appoint one from its own number and one from the officers of any correctional or charitable institution of this state, as a delegate to the annual meeting of the national conference of charities and correction; and it shall be their duty to make full report in writing, for use by said council of charities and correction; and upon the auditing of said council and approval by the governor, the treasurer is authorized to pay their bill for actual expenses to an amount together not exceeding one hundred dollars. **May appoint delegates to national conference.**
8. That all necessary stationery, postage and printing expenses shall be ordered by the council, subject to the approval of the governor, and shall then be paid on presentation by the comptroller to the treasurer of the state. **Stationery, &c., how ordered and paid for.**
9. That the warden, physician, steward or other officer in charge of any institution of charities or correction in this state, whether state, county, township, city, town or borough, shall keep an exact register, in a form to be prescribed by the council of charities and correction, in which he shall enter the name, age, sex, nationality, orphanage or half-orphanage, condition (whether married or single) of each person in his charge, and other facts throwing light upon the former heredity and history; also the dates of receipt and discharge, the time and authority of commitment, by whom committed and discharged, the cost of maintenance per day of each person and the amount earned by each if employed in productive labor, and the hours of labor, with the amounts paid to or received from each; and on or before the first day of October of each year, as the council may direct, each state institution of charities and correction, and each county, township, city, town or borough shall send to the clerk of said council, at Trenton, an abstract of the same, for which the directors of any state charity or correctional institution may order payment, and for which each county, township, city or town governing board of any such local institution of charity or correction shall pay what they shall regard as adequate for the service rendered; said returns shall be uniform, on blanks furnished by the state, corresponding as nearly as possible with the books kept; and these facts shall be so studied and arranged by the council of charities and correction as may be necessary to aid in a knowledge of the cause of dependency, pauperism and crime. **Officer in charge of any institution of charities, &c., to keep register of name, age, &c., of each person.**
10. That the council of charities and correction shall annually prepare and present for the use of the legislature a report of all their doings during the year, stating the expenses incurred, the names of officers and agents employed, and showing the actual condition of the institution into which they have, by inspection, by statistics or by correspondence, inquired, and make such suggestions as they may deem necessary; and the council shall either accompany or give full information to any legislative committee that may from time to time be appointed to visit any such institutions. **Abstract of register to be made and returned to council.**
11. That the annual appropriation for such actual expenses as may be incurred by the council in the performance of their duties, or in connection with special duty assigned to any of them, or to anyone appointed to aid in inspection or inquiry, shall be one thousand dollars; so much of the **Annual report to be made to the legislature.**
- Annual appropriation.**

same as may be needful to be payable on the rendering of accounts for the same, approved by the council and the governor, and then presented to the comptroller for payment by the treasurer.

Repealer.

**12.** That this act shall take effect on the first day of May next ensuing, and the act entitled "An act providing for the record and report of jail statistics," approved March twenty-third, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two [see P. L. 1882, p. 161], is hereby repealed, said repeal to take effect on the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

## II. State charities aid association.

An act to confer upon the state charities aid association of New Jersey, an association incorporated under the provisions of the act entitled "An act to incorporate benevolent and charitable associations," approved April ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, the power to visit, inspect and examine the county and town poorhouses, jails, asylums and other public reformatory and penal institutions of this state.

Passed April 16, 1886.

P. L. 1886, p. 231.

Upon application, justice of supreme court authorized to issue order to enable certain persons to visit and inspect poorhouses, prisons, jails, &c.

**13. SEC. 1.** That any justice of the supreme court of this state is hereby authorized to grant, on a written application to him of a majority of the board of managers of "the state charities aid association of New Jersey," an association organized under the provisions of the act entitled "An act to incorporate benevolent and charitable associations," approved April ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, to such person or persons as may be named in such application, an order enabling such person or persons to visit, inspect and examine, in behalf of said association, any of the county, town, township or city poorhouses, prisons, jails, penitentiaries, reformatories, and lunatic or orphan asylums, located within any of the counties in which said justice may be appointed to hold the circuit court thereof; and every such order shall specify the institutions to be visited, inspected and examined, and the names of the person or persons by whom the visitation, inspection and examination are to be made, and shall be in force for one year from the date on which it shall have been granted, unless sooner revoked.

Keepers to admit and allow persons named in order to visit, inspect and examine institutions, &c.

**14. SEC. 2.** That it shall be the duty of any and all persons in charge of each and every poorhouse, prison, jail or other institution embraced in the order specified in the first section of this act, to admit any or all of the persons named in the said order of the justice of the supreme court into every part of such institution, and to render the said person or persons so named in said order every facility within their power to enable them to make, in a thorough manner, their visit, inspection and examination, which are hereby declared to be for a public purpose, and to be made with a view to public benefit; obedience to the order herein authorized shall be enforced in the same manner and with like effect as obedience is enforced to any other order or mandate made by such justice.

Association to make annual report.

**15. SEC. 3.** That it shall be the duty of the said association to make an annual report to the legislature of this state.

An act to provide for the payment of the expenses incurred by the state charities aid association of New Jersey.

Approved March 23, 1892.

P. L. 1892, p. 206.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The state charities aid association of New Jersey is rendering important and valuable services to the state and is incurring expenses for the payment of which no provision hath heretofore been made;

Appropriation of a sum not exceeding \$800 for the state charities aid association.

**16. SEC. 1.** That a sum of money not exceeding six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, annually, to be paid by the treasurer of the state, upon the warrant of the comptroller, and with the approval of the governor, to the treasurer of the state charities aid association of New Jersey, to be expended by said association in the payment of expenses incurred.