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**An Act to Require Superintendents of Public Hospitals, Poor Farms, County Hospitals, Insane Asylums or Other Public Institutions Kept and Supported for Caring for Persons Who Have Become Public Charges, to Make Reports to the State Board of Charities and Corrections of the State of Colorado, of All Indigent Persons Who are committed to Any Such Institution, Which Indigent Persons are Subjects of Foreign Countries and to Require the Secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections to make reports thereof to the United States Bureau of Immigration, Situate at Denver, Colorado, and to Make Appropriations for the Purpose of Carrying into Effect the Provisions of This Act.**

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## CHAPTER 2.

## ALIENS.

## INDIGENT.

(H. B. No. 492, by Mr. Redd.)

## AN ACT

AN ACT TO REQUIRE SUPERINTENDENTS OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, POOR FARMS, COUNTY HOSPITALS, INSANE ASYLUMS OR OTHER PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS KEPT AND SUPPORTED FOR CARING FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE BECOME PUBLIC CHARGES, TO MAKE REPORTS TO THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS OF THE STATE OF COLORADO, OF ALL INDIGENT PERSONS WHO ARE COMMITTED TO ANY SUCH INSTITUTION, WHICH INDIGENT PERSONS ARE SUBJECTS OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS TO MAKE REPORTS THEREOF TO THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, SITUATE AT DENVER, COLORADO, AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING INTO EFFECT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

*Be it Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

Reports—by  
whom.

Section 1. That immediately upon the passage of this Act and within thirty days after the same shall take effect it shall be and is hereby made the duty of the Superintendents of all public hospitals, County poor farms, County Hospitals, insane asylums or other public institutions kept and supported by public funds for caring for persons who have become public charges of this State, to make report to the State Board of Charities and Corrections of the State of Colorado in writing, of all indigent persons committed to any such institution which said indigent persons are subjects of foreign countries, or what is known as diseased and dependent

aliens under Act of Congress approved March 3, 1903, such report shall include the name, the nativity, the age, the time of arrival in the United States, upon what steamer and name of steamship line, at what port of entry, on or about the date of arrival in the United States, what date they were admitted to any such public institution, the cause of their commitment to such institution, and if insane, shall include the certificate of the examining physician.

And hereafter it shall be the duty of each of said Superintendents of any of said institutions named in this Act immediately upon and within thirty days after the incarceration of any such indigent persons in any such institutions, to make like reports to the State Board of Charities and Corrections of the State of Colorado of all such cases. Immediately upon the passage of this Act it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections to provide suitable blanks for Superintendents' reports as provided in this section of this Act together with blanks for physicians' certificates concerning insane persons who are foreigners or subjects of foreign countries incarcerated in such institutions.

Sec. 2. Immediately upon the receipt of any such reports from the Superintendents of such public hospitals, poor farms, County hospitals, insane asylums or other public institutions kept and supported for caring for persons who have become public charges, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections to make separate reports thereof for each individual person so incarcerated in said institution to the United States Bureau of Immigration of Denver, Colorado, and if any such persons are liable to deportation from the United States under Act of Congress approved March 3, 1903, and the United States Bureau of Immigration shall so hold, and in case any such persons subject to deportation shall become public charges for causes arising subsequent to landing in the United States, the State Board of Charities and Corrections shall cause to be issued an order upon the Auditor of State for any warrant upon the fund provided for in this Act in sufficient amount to pay the expense of delivery of any such public charge or indigent alien at the seaport from which deportation is to take place, and thereupon any such

What reports shall contain.

Superintendents report to State Board of Charities and Corrections.

Secretary of board provide blanks.

Secretary Board of Charities and Corrections report to United States Bureau.

Auditor draw warrants.

Deportation of alien.

alien shall be delivered to the United States Bureau of Immigration at the seaport from which deportation is to take place for deportation, as provided in said Act of Congress.

Payment of  
deportation.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the State Board of Charities and Corrections immediately upon the passage of this Act to enter into an agreement with the United States Bureau of Immigration at Denver, Colorado, providing for the deportation and payment of the maintenance of indigent, diseased and dependent aliens as provided in Act of Congress Approved March 3, 1903.

Appropriation.

Sec. 4. That for the purpose of carrying into effect this Act there is hereby appropriated out of any public funds in the hands of the State Treasurer the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose, the same to be known as a fund for the deportation of indigent aliens. All moneys paid to the State Board of Charities and Corrections by the United States as provided in said Act of Congress shall be paid to the Treasurer of the State of Colorado and by him kept in said fund.

State Treasurer  
keep fund.

Duties of  
county court.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of every County Court of this State or other Court upon whose order insane or lunatic persons are committed to any of the State institutions mentioned in Section 1 of this Act to make diligent inquiry upon examination of such persons as may have knowledge of all facts concerning the nativity of persons so committed and if found to be alien, whether same are naturalized or unnaturalized, and if found not to be naturalized, all the facts provided for in the report of Superintendents to the State Board of Charities and Corrections as provided in Section 1, and certify to such facts so found to the said Superintendent of any such institution wherein committed.

Emergency.

Sec. 6. In the opinion of the General Assembly an emergency exists; therefore, this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 9th, 1907.