

youth, and to appropriate money therefor," approved March 20, 1890: *Provided*, That the purchase of a storage electric battery may be included in the completion of the building.

SEC. 2. That for the purposes of carrying into effect the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated from funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of thirteen thousand four hundred and fifty dollars (\$13,450).

Approved March 7, 1891.

CHAPTER CIII.

[H. B. No. 279.]

TO PROVIDE FOR COMMITTING JUVENILE OFFENDERS TO THE STATE REFORM SCHOOL.

AN ACT to provide for the committing of juvenile offenders to the state reform school at Chehalis.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. When a boy or girl of sane mind between Limit of age. the ages of eight and sixteen years shall, in any court of record in this state, be found guilty of any crime except murder or manslaughter, or who for want of proper paternal care is growing up in mendicancy or vagrancy, or is incorrigible, and complaint thereof is made and properly sustained, the court may, if in its opinion the accused is a Discretion of court. proper subject therefor, instead of entering judgment cause an order to be entered that said boy or girl be sent to the state reform school, in pursuance of the provisions of this act, and a copy of said order under the seal of said court shall be sufficient warrant for carrying said boy or girl to the said school, and for his or her commitment to the custody of the superintendent thereof.

SEC. 2. When a boy or girl of sane mind between the ages of eight and sixteen years shall be convicted before

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a justice of the peace or other inferior court of any crime, mendicancy, vagrancy or incorrigibility, it shall be the duty of said magistrate before whom he or she may be convicted to forthwith send such boy or girl, together with all the papers filed in his office upon the subject, under the control of some officer, to a judge of a court of record. He shall then issue an order to the parent or guardian of said boy or girl, or such person as may have him or her in charge, or with whom she or he has last resided, or any one known to be near related to him or her, or if she or he be alone and friendless then to such person said judge may appoint to act as guardian for the purposes of the cases, requiring him or her to appear at the time and place stated in said order to show cause why said boy or girl should not be committed to the said state reform school for training and reformation.

Guardian.

Fees.

SEC. 3. Said order shall be served by the sheriff or other qualified officer by delivering a copy thereof personally to the party to whom it is addressed, or leaving it with some person of full age at the place of residence or business of said party, and immediate returns shall be made to said judge of the time and manner of such service. The fees of the sheriff or other officer under this chapter shall be the same as now or may hereafter be allowed by law for like services.

Proceedings.

SEC. 4. At the time and place mentioned in said order, or at the time and place to which it may be adjourned, if the parent or guardian to whom said order may be addressed shall appear, then in his or her presence, or if he or she fail to appear, then in the presence of some competent person whom the said judge shall appoint as guardian for the purposes of the case, it shall be lawful for the said judge to proceed to take the voluntary examination of said boy or girl, and to hear the statements of the party appearing for him or her and such testimony in relation to the case as may be produced, and if upon such examination and hearing the said judge shall be satisfied that the boy or girl is a fit subject for the state reform school, he may commit him or her to said school by warrant.

Commitment
by warrant

SEC. 5. The judge shall certify in the warrant the place

in which the boy or girl resided at the time of his or her arrest, also his or her age as near as can be ascertained, and command the said officer to take the said boy or girl and deliver him or her without delay to the superintendent of said school, or other persons in charge thereof at the place where the same is located and established, and such certificate for the purpose of this act shall be conclusive evidence of his or her residence or age; accompanying this warrant the judge shall transmit to the superintendent by the officer executing it a statement of the nature of the complaint, together with such other particulars concerning the boy or girl as a judge is able to ascertain: *Provided*, The expense of conveying any boy or girl so committed to said state reform school or returning him or her to his or her parent or guardian after his or her release therefrom shall be at the expense of the state. Expenses; how paid.

SEC. 6. The proceedings before any judge or court may be reviewed on writ of error by the superior court, and proceedings before any superior court or judge thereof may be reviewed by the supreme court, in the manner provided by law for reviewing criminal cases in these courts.

SEC. 7. Each boy or girl committed to the state reform school shall remain there until he or she arrives at the age of 18 years, unless sooner paroled or legally discharged. Discharge or parole. The discharge of any boy or girl having arrived at the age of eighteen years shall be a complete release from all penalties incurred by conviction of the offense for which she or he was committed.

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