

any room used for the preparation or bottling of any beverage. Each such establishment shall be equipped with adequate and efficient machinery for the soaking, automatic cleaning and sterilizing of all bottles in which any such beverage or water shall be placed for the purpose of sale. The term "beverage" as used herein shall include all waters, soft drinks and like products, whether simple, mixed or compounded.

SEC. 3. No person, firm or corporation shall sell, offer for sale or give away within the state any beverage in bottles or other containers unless each of such bottles or containers shall have blown into it, etched or engraved, or otherwise indicated thereon, the name of the person, firm or corporation manufacturing or bottling such beverage or the name of the registered trade mark of such beverage. The filling or refilling of any glass, jar, bottle or other container, with beverages, water, mineral water or any other drink or fluid, with intent to sell or vend such water, beverage or fluid, which bears the label of any other person, firm or corporation or which has blown into it the name or trade mark of any person, firm or corporation, without the consent of such person, firm or corporation, shall constitute misbranding in violation of the provisions of section 2439 of the general statutes. Any person who shall violate any provision of this section shall be subject to the penalties provided in section ten of said chapter 102.

Bottles or containers to have name of manufacturer or trade mark thereon.

Penalty.

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SENATE BILL No. 603.

CHAPTER 264

AN ACT CREATING THE VETERANS' HOME COMMISSION AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

SECTION 1. Terms used in this act shall be construed as follows, unless another meaning is expressed or is clearly apparent from the language or context or unless such construction is inconsistent with the manifest intention of the general assembly. "Veteran" shall mean any resident of this state who is an honorably discharged soldier, sailor, marine, yeomanette or nurse, who served in or with the military or naval forces of the United States in time of war, the Philippine insurrection, the China relief expedition, the Mexican border service in 1916 or the forces of any government associated

Terms "veteran," "home," and "hospital" defined.

with the United States in the world war, provided any such person who was not a resident or resident alien of this state at the time of enlistment or induction into such service shall have resided continuously in this state for at least two years. "Home" shall mean the Fitch's Home for Soldiers. "Hospital" shall mean any incorporated hospital in the state, any state hospital for the insane or any state or county tuberculosis sanatorium.

Veterans' Home
Commission
created.

SEC. 2. The Veterans' Home Commission is created, consisting of the state agent of state agencies and institutions and eight other commissioners to be appointed by the governor, all of whom shall be citizens of this state and a majority of whom shall be veterans. On or before July 1, 1927, the governor shall appoint two commissioners to serve for a term of eight years, two for a term of six years, two for a term of four years and two for a term of two years, all of such terms to begin July 1, 1927, and each commissioner shall continue to serve as a member of such commission until his successor shall have been appointed and shall have qualified. Upon the expiration of the term of any commissioner, the governor shall appoint a successor who shall serve for eight years, except when appointments shall be made to fill a vacancy in which case the appointment shall be made for the unexpired portion of the term. Each commissioner shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties. The governor may, for reasonable cause, remove from office any of such commissioners. The commissioners appointed by the governor shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be paid their reasonable expenses in the performance of their duties.

Duties of com-
mission.

SEC. 3. The commission shall have the government and control of the home and shall, on July 1, 1927, take over the property and management thereof and execute all other functions vested in it by this act.

Secretary of com-
mission.

SEC. 4. The state agent of state agencies and institutions shall be the secretary of said commission. The commission shall elect from its members such officers and committees as it may deem essential and shall make such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the transaction of its business. It shall appoint a treasurer who may be a member of the commission, who shall give a bond to the state in such sum, but not less than five thousand dollars, as the commission shall require, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties. A majority of the commissioners in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Treasurer.

To adopt rules and
regulations.

SEC. 5. The commission shall promulgate, adopt and enforce rules and regulations necessary for the management of the home and to procure order, enforce discipline and preserve

the health and insure the comfort of the inmates of the home; and shall discipline or dismiss any person, whether officer or inmate of the home who shall disobey or infringe upon such rules and regulations. The commission shall appoint from outside of its number such officers and employees as may be necessary for the administration of the affairs of the home, under the direction of the commission, and shall discharge, dismiss or remove the same by a majority vote; shall prescribe the relative rank, if any, duties and compensation of such officers and employees and shall commission each of such officers, who shall wear the uniform as prescribed by the commission.

SEC. 6. All male veterans shall be entitled to admission to the home; and all veterans who, from disease, wounds or accident shall need medical or surgical care and treatment or who shall have become insane and who have no adequate means of support, shall be entitled to admission to any hospital and to receive necessary food, clothing, care and treatment therein, at the expense of the state.

Persons entitled to admission.

SEC. 7. Any veteran desiring care or treatment under the provisions of this act shall make application under oath to the commission, but if, by reason of his physical condition, he shall be unable to make such application, some other veteran may make such application in his behalf. Said commission shall have sole power to determine whether such veteran is entitled to admission to the home or to a hospital, and such veteran, if admitted, shall, upon application to the commission, receive transportation at the expense of the state from his place of residence to the home or such hospital. No veteran so admitted shall be discharged from the home or hospital except upon the approval of the commission. The commission shall have sole power to remove any veteran, whose care and treatment is paid for by the state, from any hospital to another, and shall appoint such agents as are necessary to see that veterans admitted to hospitals are receiving necessary food, clothing, care and treatment.

Application for admission.

SEC. 8. The commission shall determine the sum to be paid by such applicants as it may admit to the home or a hospital, who, in the judgment of the commission, may be able to pay in whole or in part for their support, and fix the amount to be paid for medical and surgical care or treatment, food and clothing furnished such veterans at the home or at a hospital.

Commission to determine sum to be paid when applicant is able to do so.

SEC. 9. Any hospital, upon request of the commission, shall furnish any veteran, determined by the commission as entitled to admission thereto, necessary food, clothing, care and treatment therein at the expense of the state, and such veteran shall have preference for admission into such hospital.

Hospital to furnish necessities.

Disposition of in-
sane patients.

SEC. 10. If any veteran at the home shall become insane, he may be committed to any hospital for the insane by the commission, upon the certificate of two physicians, given after examination, that such veteran is insane; and such veteran shall be received by such hospital for the insane, upon the presentation of such certificate and the order of the commission.

Care of veteran in
his own home.

SEC. 11. The commission may expend from its general appropriation such sum of money as may, in the judgment of said commission, be necessary to suitably care for and maintain, either at his own residence or in a hospital or other suitable place in the state, any veteran who is entitled to be admitted to the home and is unable to be removed thereto by reason of illness or accident, until he shall be able to be removed to said home, provided such sum, so expended, shall in no case exceed the actual cost of supporting such veteran at said home.

Treatment of dip-
somania.

SEC. 12. Any veteran who, in the opinion of the commission, is entitled to admission to the home and who is a dipsomaniac or so addicted to the intemperate use of narcotics or stimulants as to have lost the power of self-control, and who is unable to bear the expense of treatment for any such disease, shall be entitled to receive such treatment under the direction of the commission at the expense of the state, but such expense shall not exceed in any one year the sum of two thousand dollars. Any veteran who may wish to avail himself of the benefits herein provided for shall make application to the commission who shall have the sole power to grant or refuse such application and prescribe the place where and the conditions under which such treatment shall be received.

Support of fami-
lies of dependent
veterans.

SEC. 13. When any veteran admitted to the home or a hospital shall have a wife, husband, child or children under sixteen years of age, who are without adequate means of support, the commission shall, if it shall deem the circumstances warrant, authorize the selectmen of the town or the person or board charged with the support of the poor of any city to which such veteran belongs, to expend for the support of such wife, husband, child or children, a sum not exceeding two dollars per week for each of such persons, during the time such veteran shall be an inmate of the home or a hospital; and shall reimburse such selectmen or other authority as above mentioned, for the amount so expended. Such amount shall be paid to the commission by the comptroller in the same manner and upon the same form of requisition as the general bills of the commission. No person for whose account such expenditure is authorized shall be permitted by such selectmen or such person or board to be an inmate of any almshouse.

SEC. 14. The probate fees and other actual costs of commitment of veterans who are eligible to admission to the home or to a hospital, shall be paid by the treasurer upon the order of the comptroller to the judge making the commitment, who shall disburse the same, such fees and costs being taxed and certified by such judge; but the provisions of this section shall not apply to a veteran so committed, who may be drawing a United States pension at the time of commitment and who has no wife, husband, child or children under sixteen years of age, dependent upon him or her for support.

Fees for commitment.

SEC. 15. The commission shall have full power to investigate all complaints that may be made to it respecting the conduct or treatment of such veterans and for that purpose shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses under oath. If, upon such investigation, the commission shall find that any veteran has not received proper care or has been ill treated or abused by any officer or employee of a hospital, it shall forthwith certify that fact to the proper officer of such hospital who shall cause the offender to be prosecuted, disciplined or dismissed, as the commission shall direct. If no adequate grounds shall exist for such complaint, the commission shall certify that fact to the proper officer of such hospital.

Commission to investigate complaints respecting treatment of veterans.

SEC. 16. When any veteran shall die, not having sufficient estate to pay the necessary expenses of his last sickness and burial, the state shall pay the sum of one hundred dollars towards such funeral expenses, and the burial shall be in some cemetery or plot not used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead. No provision of this section shall prevent the payment of the sum above named for the burial of any person, otherwise entitled to the same, on account of such burial being made outside the limits of this state. The selectmen or board of public charities of the town in which such veteran shall have resided or died or is buried, shall pay the burial expenses of such veteran and, upon satisfactory proof by the selectmen or board of public charities to the adjutant-general, of the identity of the deceased, the time and place of his death and burial and the insufficiency of his estate, and the approval thereof by the adjutant-general, said sum of one hundred dollars shall be paid to the selectmen or board of public charities by the comptroller; provided, in cases of death occurring abroad, application may be made under the provisions hereof after the remains of such deceased veteran shall be brought to this country for interment.

Payment of burial expenses.

SEC. 17. When the grave of any person, who, in time of war, served in the military or naval forces of the English colonies in America, prior to 1776, or the grave of any veteran, which is located in this state, shall be unmarked by a suitable

Headstones to be provided by the state at the graves of veterans.

headstone, or shall be marked by a bronze marker erected by this state or by a marker furnished by the United States government, the adjutant-general shall, upon application, cause to be erected at such grave a headstone of material and design approved by the governor, marked with the name of the deceased, the date of his death and his age, if the same be furnished to the adjutant-general, and the organization to which he belonged. The expense of such headstone shall not exceed fifty dollars, and shall be paid by the comptroller. The adjutant-general, upon application, may furnish headstones for the graves of persons specifically mentioned in this act, when such graves are located outside the limits of this state, provided the applicant has, prior to shipment, agreed to pay transportation charges to destination and costs of erection of such stone.

Provision for headstones at Spring Grove Cemetery, Darien.

SEC. 18. Upon proof furnished to the adjutant-general by the commission that the grave of any veteran who has been buried in the cemetery plot owned by this state in the Spring Grove cemetery at Darien is unmarked by a suitable headstone, the adjutant-general shall cause to be erected at such grave a headstone such as is furnished under the provisions of section seventeen of this act.

Veterans to have preference for employment in public service.

SEC. 19. In every public department and upon all public works of this state any veteran shall be preferred for appointment and employment; and age, loss of limb or other physical impairment, which does not in fact incapacitate, shall not disqualify such veteran, if possessed of the other requisite qualifications.

Veterans employed in public service not to be discharged except for cause after hearing

SEC. 20. No veteran holding a position by appointment or employment as janitor, engineer, fireman, watchman or elevator man in any public building owned by the state or by any county, shall be removed from such position or employment except for incompetency or misconduct, or have his compensation reduced, except for cause and after a hearing preceded by due notice. Any veteran, who shall be removed from any of such positions, or whose compensation shall be reduced while so employed, may appeal from such action or decision to the superior court in the county in which such veteran is employed. Such appeal shall be privileged in the order of its trial, and shall be tried to the court. No costs shall be taxed upon such appeal in favor of either party. If such appeal shall be sustained, the appellant shall be reinstated on the same terms as to employment and compensation as existed prior to such removal, with full pay from the date of his removal.

Appeal.

Re-instatement.

Weekly allowance to widows of veterans.

SEC. 21. Weekly allowances, to be determined by the commission, but in no case in excess of the amount required for the support of an inmate of the home shall be paid from the state treasury, upon warrants or orders drawn and registered

by the comptroller, for the support and maintenance of the widow of a man who served in the military or naval forces of the United States, in either the civil or Spanish-American war, who had been honorably discharged from the same and was a resident of this state at the time of his death; provided any such widow, at the time of making application for such aid, shall be without adequate means of support, or by reason of age or disability shall be unable to support herself; and provided such widow shall have been married prior to June 27, 1905, if her husband was a veteran of the civil war, or prior to June 1, 1921, if her husband was a veteran of the Spanish-American war and provided such widow shall have lived with such husband continuously from the time of her marriage to him up to the time of his death, separations of a temporary or ordinary nature excepted, and that such widow shall be a resident of this state when applying for such aid and shall continue to reside in this state while receiving it; and provided no such widow shall receive aid as provided in this act, who is receiving aid under the provisions of chapter 323 of the public acts of 1919 as amended.

SEC. 22. Any appropriation that has been or may be made to the Soldiers' Hospital Board shall be deemed to have been made to the commission hereby created.

Appropriation.

SEC. 23. The commission is authorized to expend a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars annually for the purpose of religious services at the home.

Religious services.

SEC. 24. The state police commission shall assign one or more state policemen for duty at the home as may be requested by the commission.

To assign state policemen for service when requested.

SEC. 25. The commission shall annually report its doings, under oath, to the governor and board of control and shall account to the board of control during the months of January, April, July and October for all moneys received and disbursed during the three months next preceding the first day of the month during which the report is filed, and such account shall show the name and address of each person to whom aid shall have been furnished and the amount of such aid together with the name and address of each person to whom payments shall have been made from the funds administered by the commission and the amount of such payments and a brief statement of the services rendered or other consideration for which such payment has been made.

Reports.

SEC. 26. Sections 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915 of the general statutes, sections one, two and three of chapter 148 of the public acts of 1919, chapters 31, 43, 85, 95, 205, 206 and 229 of the public acts of 1921, chap-

Repeal.

ters 161 and 163 of the public acts of 1923, and chapters 24 and 28 of the public acts of 1927, are repealed.

SEC. 27. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved June 8, 1927.

HOUSE BILL No. 399.

CHAPTER 265

AN ACT AMENDING AN ACT CONCERNING THE
DISPOSAL OF DISEASED ANIMALS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Assembly convened:*

Commissioner of
domestic animals
may cause diseased
animals to be
killed but not be-
fore value has been
determined.

Section 2095 of the general statutes as amended by chapter 116 of the public acts of 1923 and by chapter 233 of the public acts of 1925 is amended to read as follows: The commissioner on domestic animals may cause any domestic animal quarantined in accordance with the provisions of section 2094 of the general statutes to be killed, but no bovine or equine animal so quarantined shall be killed until its value shall have been determined by the owner and the commissioner. If they shall be unable to agree upon the value of such animal, each shall choose an arbitrator and the two so chosen shall choose a third and the three so chosen shall determine the value of such animal, and the value so determined shall be approved by the commissioner, and, when a sworn certificate shall have been filed with the commissioner that such animal has been killed and buried and the premises, disinfected according to the order of the commissioner, within a period of fifteen days following the issuance of such order, such amount shall be paid to the owner by the state upon the order of the comptroller. If such three arbitrators shall not agree, they shall so find and report and other arbitrators may be appointed as hereinbefore provided who shall proceed in the same manner as those first chosen; but no animal, the physical condition of which is such that it is of no real value, and no animal which shall have been in the state for a period of less than three months next preceding its quarantine, shall be paid for by the state, provided such award may be paid in the case of cattle from any herd which shall have been officially accredited or from any herd from which the entire number shall have passed two regular tuberculin tests and a physical examination made under the provisions of the rules and regulations for accredited herds as approved by the officials of the state from which such cattle were shipped and by the commissioner on domestic animals and such cattle have not, since passing such tests, been exposed to infection from tuberculosis. The provisions of this act shall

Procedure when
arbitrators dis-
agree.