

SENATE No. 553

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SENATE, May 21, 1913.

The committees on Social Welfare and Public Institutions, sitting jointly, to whom were referred the Resolve to provide for buildings and equipment for departments for defective delinquents at the Massachusetts Reformatory and the Reformatory for Women (Senate, No. 61, taken from the files of the preceding General Court); so much of the recommendations of the Board of Prison Commissioners (House, No. 245) as was embodied in the resolve, House, No. 249 which accompanied them; and the message from the Governor relative thereto (House, No. 2185), report (in part) the accompanying bill.

For the committee,

WM. A. L. BAZELEY.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen.

AN ACT

Relative to Departments for Defective^w Delinquents.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter five hundred and ninety-five of the
2 acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven is hereby
3 amended by striking out section five and inserting in place
4 thereof the following:— *Section 5.* At the reformatory
5 for women, the Massachusetts reformatory, the state farm
6 or such other place or places as may be approved by the
7 governor and council, there may be maintained depart-
8 ments to be termed departments for defective delinquents,
9 for the custody of persons committed thereto under this
10 act. All male persons committed under the provisions of
11 this act shall be committed to the department for male defec-
12 tive delinquents. All women and girls committed under
13 this act shall be committed to the department for defective
14 delinquents for women. All persons committed to the de-
15 partments for defective delinquents hereby established
16 shall be and remain in the custody of the board of prison
17 commissioners until discharged as hereinafter provided
18 and all persons committed to the department for defective
19 delinquents, if established at the state farm, shall be and

20 remain in the custody of the trustees of the state farm
21 until discharged as hereinafter provided.

1 SECTION 2. Section twelve of said chapter five hundred
2 and ninety-five is hereby amended by inserting after the
3 word "when," in the first line, the words: — any of, — so
4 as to read as follows: — *Section 12.* This act shall take
5 effect when any of the departments named in section five
6 are ready for occupancy. The prison commissioners and
7 the trustees of the state farm shall notify the governor when
8 said departments are in a suitable condition to receive
9 inmates; and the governor may then issue his proclamation
10 establishing such departments as places for the custody
11 of defective delinquents.

