

Payment of
expense of
removing
prisoners.

108. The expense of removing prisoners from one jail or house of correction to another shall be paid by the county from which the prisoner is removed. The expense of removing prisoners from jails and houses of correction to any of the state institutions, or from any of the state institutions to a jail or house of correction, shall be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth after approval by the prison commissioners.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 15, 1903.

Chap. 355 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE REMOVAL OF STATE PAUPERS TO THE STATE HOSPITAL OR OTHER STATE INSTITUTIONS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

R. L. 81, § 21,
amended.

SECTION 1. Section twenty-one of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Laws is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following : — If any such person refuses to submit to removal the state board of charity, or any of its officers or agents, may apply to the district, municipal or police court of the district where such person resides, or to any trial justice, for an order directing that such removal be made. Upon such application the court or magistrate shall forthwith cause a summons to be served upon the person so refusing, and, if he be a minor, upon his parent or guardian, requiring the attendance of the person so summoned at a time and place appointed therein for hearing ; and at such time and place shall hear and examine upon oath such person or persons, and shall hear such other evidence as may be material. If upon hearing it appears that the person sought to be removed is without a legal settlement in this Commonwealth and is unable to support himself, and that his necessities or the public interests require his removal, the court or magistrate shall issue an order in writing, directed to a duly constituted officer or agent of the state board of charity, reciting that such person appears to be a state pauper, and that his necessities or the public interests require his removal, and commanding such officer or agent to remove him to the state hospital or to any other state institution designated by the state board of charity, and such officer or agent shall thereupon make the removal as ordered. After the removal is made such officer or agent shall file such order, with his return thereon, with the clerk of the

court from which it was issued, or if issued by a trial justice it shall be filed with him. In every case where removal is ordered a detailed statement of the expense incurred by any city or town for the support of the person so removed while application for his removal was pending before the court, shall be rendered, and after approval by the state board shall be paid by the Commonwealth,—so as to read as follows:— *Section 21.* A city or town may furnish aid to poor persons found therein, having no lawful settlements within the Commonwealth, if the overseers of the poor consider it for the public interest; but, except in cases under the provisions of section fourteen of chapter eighty-five, not for a greater amount than two dollars a week for each family during the months of May to September, inclusive, or three dollars a week during the other months; and the overseers shall in every case give immediate notice in writing to the state board of charity, which shall examine the case and if it directs a discontinuance of such aid, shall remove such persons to the state hospital or to any state or place where they belong, if their necessities or the public interest requires it, and the superintendent of said hospital shall receive the persons removed thereto as if they were sent there in accordance with the provisions of section seven of chapter eighty-five. A detailed statement of expenses so incurred shall be rendered, and after approval by the state board, such expenses shall be paid by the Commonwealth. If any such person refuses to submit to removal the state board of charity, or any of its officers or agents, may apply to the district, municipal or police court of the district where such person resides, or to any trial justice, for an order directing that such removal be made. Upon such application the court or magistrate shall forthwith cause a summons to be served upon the person so refusing, and, if he be a minor, upon his parent or guardian, requiring the attendance of the person so summoned at a time and place appointed therein for hearing; and at such time and place shall hear and examine upon oath such person or persons, and shall hear such other evidence as may be material. If upon hearing it appears that the person sought to be removed is without a legal settlement in this Commonwealth and is unable to support himself, and that his necessities or the public interests require his removal, the court or magistrate shall

Cities and towns may furnish aid to certain state paupers, etc.

Removal to hospitals, etc.

issue an order in writing, directed to a duly constituted officer or agent of the state board of charity, reciting that such person appears to be a state pauper, and that his necessities or the public interests require his removal, and commanding such officer or agent to remove him to the state hospital or to any other state institution designated by the state board of charity, and such officer or agent shall thereupon make the removal as ordered. After the removal is made such officer or agent shall file such order, with his return thereon, with the clerk of the court from which it was issued, or if issued by a trial justice it shall be filed with him. In every case where removal is ordered a detailed statement of the expense incurred by any city or town for the support of the person so removed while application for his removal was pending before the court, shall be rendered, and after approval by the state board shall be paid by the Commonwealth.

When to take effect.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and three.

Approved May 15, 1903.

Chap. 356

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE CONSTRUCTION BY THE METROPOLITAN WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD OF THE HIGH-LEVEL GRAVITY SEWER FOR THE RELIEF OF THE CHARLES AND NEPONSET RIVER VALLEYS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Treasurer and receiver general to issue scrip or certificates of debt, etc.

SECTION 1. The treasurer and receiver general of the Commonwealth, in order to meet additional expenses incurred under the provisions of chapter four hundred and twenty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, shall, with the approval of the governor and council, issue from time to time scrip or certificates of debt in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth and under its seal, to an amount not exceeding nine hundred and ninety-six thousand dollars, in addition to the amount authorized to be issued under the provisions of said chapter; and the provisions of said chapter and of acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto shall apply to this additional loan.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved May 15, 1903.