

cream and the coating thereof, *sherbets or ices*, or the manufacture thereof.

Use of equipment belonging to another.

It is unlawful for any person to use, or cause or allow to be used, any equipment, cabinet, can, or other container belonging to one manufacturer for the purpose of preserving or holding any ice cream, coated ice cream, sherbet or ice manufactured by another manufacturer; or for any person, manufacturer, or employe or agent of any manufacturer to knowingly supply or place or deposit ice cream, coated ice cream, sherbet or ice of one manufacturer in any equipment, cabinet, can, or other container belonging to another manufacturer. It is unlawful for any person, other than the owner, to remove, erase, obliterate, cover, or conceal any manufacturer's or owner's name, insignia, device, or distinguishing mark, which may appear or be placed on any ice cream equipment, cabinet, can, or other container.

Obliteration or concealment of name, etc.

APPROVED—The 12th day of June, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 165

AN ACT

Providing for the licensure and regulation of certain private nursing homes and private hospitals; conferring certain powers and duties upon the Department of Welfare; and providing penalties.

Private nursing homes and hospitals.

Licensure and regulations.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That after the effective date of this act, it shall be unlawful for any person, copartnership, association, or corporation to operate for profit, within this Commonwealth, a private nursing home or private hospital, for persons requiring care, treatment, or nursing by reason of sickness, injury, infirmity, or other disability, without a license as herein-after required, but this act shall not be construed to apply to any State or State-aided institution or any institution licensed by the Department of Welfare under other statutes.

Application for license.

Form.

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Section 2. Every person, copartnership, association, or corporation, desiring to operate for profit such a private nursing home or private hospital, shall file an application for a license with the Department of Welfare. The application shall be on a form prescribed, prepared, and furnished by the Department of Welfare, and, together with such other information as the department shall require, shall state:

(a) The name and address of the applicant and the person to be in charge of said home or hospital. If

the applicant is a copartnership, association, or corporation, the application shall state the names and addresses of all the partners and officers, as the case may be;

(b) The location of the private nursing home or hospital and, if the applicant is a corporation, association, or partnership, the state of incorporation or organization;

(c) The facilities of the private nursing home or hospital for the care, treatment, or nursing of patients or inmates, including sanitary and fire protection facilities.

Section 3. Upon receipt of an application for a license, the Department of Welfare shall cause a thorough investigation to be made as to the character, financial responsibility, and qualifications of the applicant, and, if the applicant is a partnership, association, or corporation, of all the officers or partners, as the case may be, and of the person who is to have the general management of the home or hospital, the adequacy of the facilities of the home or hospital to furnish the type of care and service specified in the application, the sanitary and fire protection facilities, and any other matter or thing which the department may deem proper.

Investigation.

Section 4. The Department of Welfare shall, when satisfied that the applicant or applicants for such license are proper and responsible persons, that the place sought to be used as a private nursing home or hospital is a suitable place for such purpose and is properly equipped therefor, and when all the requirements of this act and the rules and regulations of the department have been complied with, issue a license to the applicant upon the payment of a license fee of ten dollars (\$10.00), which shall be paid into the State Treasury, through the Department of Revenue.

Issuance of license.

Fee.

Disposition of fee.

All licenses issued by the department, under this act, shall expire one year next following the day on which issued, shall be on a form prescribed by the department, shall not be transferable, shall be issued only for the premises named in the application, shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the applicant's premises, and may be renewed, from year to year, upon application, investigation, and payment of license fee as in the procurement of an original license.

Renewal.

Section 5. The Department of Welfare may, with the approval of the State Welfare Commission, make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for the issuance and renewal of such licenses, for the proper maintenance, operation, and conduct of such private nursing homes or private hospitals, and for the visitation, examination, and inspection of all such homes or hospitals. The Department of Welfare, or its duly au-

Rules and regulations.

Investigation.

Duties of persons
in charge.

thorized representative, shall have free and full access to the grounds, premises and buildings, and to the records of any home or hospital licensed under this act, and full opportunity to interrogate or interview any patient or inmate thereof; and all persons connected with any such home or hospital as officers or charged with the management thereof are hereby directed to give to the Department of Welfare, or its duly authorized representatives, such means, facilities, and opportunity for such visitation, examination, and interrogation as is hereby provided and required or as the department, by its duly ordained rules or regulations, may require.

Violation of rules,
etc.

Section 6. Whenever the Department of Welfare shall, upon inspection, investigation, or sworn complaint, learn of any violation of rules or regulations adopted by the department, or any failure to establish, provide, or maintain standards and facilities required by the department, it shall give written notice thereof to the offending licensee. The department may revoke the license of said licensee, if such violations do not cease or such standards and facilities are not established or brought in conformity with those prescribed by the department, three months after such written notice.

Notice to
licensee.
Revocation of
license.

Maintaining or
operating home
or hospital
without a
license.

Section 7. Any person, or any or all officers or partners of any partnership, association, or corporation, maintaining or operating for profit, within this Commonwealth, a private nursing home or private hospital without a license required by this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or to undergo imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both.

Misdemeanor.

Penalty.

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No. 166

AN ACT

Providing for the joint construction by any two or more counties of industrial farms and workhouses; providing for the acquisition of sites and the erection and equipment of buildings; providing for their government and control, and for the commitment, admission, employment, and discharge of inmates, the appointment of an advisory board, and defining its duties; authorizing counties to incur indebtedness and issue bonds for the purpose of paying their share of the cost of erection; imposing the cost of maintenance of inmates on the counties; and repealing inconsistent legislation.

Industrial farms
and workhouses.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the county com-