

January 24, 1951.
Military and Veterans Affairs.

House File 178
By RYAN, SLOANE.

Passed House, Date
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Passed Senate, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section two hundred twenty-nine point twenty (229.20), Code 1950, relating to beneficiaries of veterans bureau by correctly designating the committing body of insane persons as "commission" or "body", instead of court.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. Section two hundred twenty-nine point
2 twenty (229.20), subsection one (1), is hereby amended
3 by striking from line thirteen (13) thereof the word "court"
4 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "commission".

1 Sec. 2. Further amend said subsection by striking from lines
2 thirty-eight (38) and thirty-nine (39), the words "or other
3 appropriate court" and substituting in lieu thereof the word
4 "body".

1 Sec. 3. Further amend section two hundred twenty-nine point
2 twenty (229.20), subsection two (2), by striking from line eighteen
3 (18) the word "courts" and inserting in lieu thereof the word
4 "commissions".

1 Sec. 4. Further amend said section, subsection three (3),

- 2 by striking from line thirteen (13) the word "court" and inserting
- 3 in lieu thereof the word "body".

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 178

The Fifty-second General Assembly in enacting section two hundred twenty-nine point twenty (229.20), Code 1946 (now 1950 Code) appears to have adopted a uniform bill relating to the transfer of insane persons who are eligible for federal care by designating the committing body as "court". Under the existing law of this state, the committing body of insane persons is the commission of insanity for each county. The courts do not commit such persons except where an insane person is involved in criminal proceedings. The courts serve also as an appellant body to review the findings of the commissions.

This bill is intended to correctly identify the commissions of insanity as "commissions" or "body" instead of "court", and thus clarify the procedure authorized by section two hundred twenty-nine point twenty (229.20), Code of Iowa.