Chapter 420

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# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

420.010 Commitment or admission of minor under 12 to state institutions for delinquents prohibited. No minor child under the age of 12 years shall be committed by any court to either the MacLaren School for Boys or the Hillcrest School of Oregon, nor shall any such minor child be admitted to or received by or cared for in either of those institutions

420.020 Advisory committee; membership; chairman. (1) There shall be appointed by the Oregon State Board of Control, and serve at its pleasure, an advisory committee, consisting of seven members, citizens of this state, at least three of whom shall be women, as follows

- (a) One, who is an educator, to be recommended by the State Board of Education
- (b) One, who has had training in social work, to be recommended by the State Public Welfare Commission
- (c) One, who is a psychiatrist, to be recommended by the University of Oregon Medical School
- (d) One, who is a county judge, to be recommended by the executive committee of the Association of Oregon Counties
- (e) Three who are citizens of the state at large
- (2) One member of the committee shall be designated chairman thereof by the Board of Control

420.030 Duties and expenses of advisory committee. (1) The advisory committee shall study the policy and administration of all the state schools for delinquent children and report in writing to the Board of Control and make such suggestions and recommendations as may appear to be for the best interest of the institution and the welfare of the inmates The advisory committee shall attend at least one meeting of the Board of Control each year, for the purpose of reviewing the budgets of the schools, and shall hold at least one meeting of the committee each quarter.

(2) The actual necessary expenses of the members of the advisory committee, incurred in the performance of their duties, shall be audited and paid in the same manner as other expenses of said institutions.

**420.040 to 420.100** [Reserved for expansion]

## MAC LAREN SCHOOL FOR BOYS

420.110 Establishment of school. There is established and permanently located in Marion County, in this state, a school to be known as the MacLaren School for Boys This school is to be maintained for the confinement, discipline, education, employment and reformation of juvenile offenders in this state

420.120 Purpose and objects of the school. (1) The MacLaren School for Boys shall be used as a training school for juvenile male offenders committed to its custody. The superintendent, subordinate officers and employes of the school shall use their best and consistent endeavors to govern, instruct, employ and reform the youths committed to their charge, to the end that the youths are trained and developed into useful and honorable members of society.

(2) The chief objects of the school are educational and reformatory, rather than penal, but this does not prevent the confinement and punishment of juvenile offenders therein

420.130 Commitments; jurisdiction of county judge and juvenile court. All commitments to the MacLaren School for Boys shall be made by the county judge of the county of which the delinquent youth is a resident However, in counties where there is a juvenile court all commitments shall be made by the judge of that court

420.140 Persons who may be committed; limitations. (1) Commitments to the MacLaren School for Boys shall be limited to youths between the ages of 12 and 18 years who, after a full hearing before the court, are found to be beyond the control of their parents or guardians and incorrigible, or who may be found guilty of an offense punishable by imprisonment

(2) No youth shall be committed to the school by reason of being dependent or without means of support

420.150 Commitment blanks. Uniform commitment blanks shall be furnished by the Oregon State Board of Control and used by all courts committing to the MacLaren School for Boys

420.160 Expenses borne by committing county. All traveling and other expenses incurred in the commitment and delivery of delinquent youths to the MacLaren School

for Boys shall be borne by the county from which they are committed.

420.170 Term of commitment. Except as provided in ORS 420.180, all youths committed to the MacLaren School for Boys shall remain as inmates, and under the control of the officers of the school until they reach their majority

420.180 Parole, release and revocation of parole. (1) Upon recommendation and showing by the superintendent that a youth has reformed and had best be returned to his parents or guardian or that a suitable and desirable home has been found for him, the Board of Control may grant the youth a parole conditioned upon good behavior.

(2) The Board of Control may in its discretion at any time grant a youth a final release or revoke his parole and cause him to be returned to the school and the custody of its officers

420.190 Disposition of incorrigible youths. Should any boy committed to the school prove, and continue to be, unruly, unsusceptible of reformation and incorrigible and his presence be detrimental to the best interests of the institution, he may, with the approval of the Board of Control, be returned by the superintendent to the sheriff of the county from whence he was committed that proceedings against him may be resumed as though no commitment had been made to the school

420.200 Department for youths under 21 years. There is established and permanently located in Marion County a department in connection with the MacLaren School for Boys for the confinement, discipline, education, employment and reformation of offenders in this state under the age of 21 years [Amended by 1953 c.111 §3]

420.210 Establishing temporary work and training camps for boys committed to school. The Superintendent of the MacLaren School for Boys, with the approval of the Board of Control and in cooperation with any other state agency, may establish at such places in this state as are recommended by the State Highway Department or any other state or federal agency assisting in the rehabilitation program contemplated by this Act one or more temporary work and training camps for any boys committed to the school who are determined by the superintendent to be qualified and amenable as

security risks for work and training in such camps. [1953 c.154 §1]

420.215 Operation of camps by superintendent. Any camp established pursuant to ORS 420.210 on a temporary basis shall be maintained and operated under the supervision of the superintendent and shall be governed, as far as applicable, by the rules and regulations concerning discipline, care and education of the MacLaren School for Boys. [1953 c 154 §2]

420.220 Responsibility for custody of boys assigned to camp; scope of training program. While at a camp established under ORS 420.210 to 420 235, the superintendent is responsible for the care and custody of all boys assigned to the camp. The superintendent shall provide the same educational, training, religious, cultural and medical facilities that are available to the boys at the MacLaren School for Boys, in so far as this is feasible and appropriate; provided, that the compulsory school attendance laws are complied with. [1953 c 154 §3]

420.225 Cooperation with other state or federal agencies in work assignments. The superintendent and the persons employed by him or designated to have direct control of the boys at camp shall cooperate to the fullest extent with the State Highway Department or any other state or federal agency assisting in the camp program in making assignments and in supervising any work or training of boys who are physically able to perform manual labor [1953 c 154 §4]

420.230 Contracts with other state or federal agencies. The superintendent, with the approval of the Board of Control, may enter into contracts with the State Highway Commission or any other state or federal agency cooperating or willing to cooperate in the camp program to carry into effect the purposes of this Act, providing among other things for the type of work to be performed by boys at any camp, for rate of payment and other matters relating to the maintenance and training of the boys while at a camp. [1953 c 154 §5]

420.235 Return of rule violator or bad security risk to MacLaren School for Boys. Any boy who violates the rules and regulations relating to discipline of a camp or who appears to the superintendent to be a bad security risk may be returned to the Mac-

Laren School for Boys on order of the superintendent. [1953 c.154 §6]

**420.240 to 420.300** [Reserved for expansion]

# HILLCREST SCHOOL OF OREGON

420.310 Name of institution. In order that a more suitable designation and wholesome name may be provided for the state institution for the detention of delinquent girls, situated near Salem, Marion County, that institution is designated as the Hillcrest School of Oregon

420.320 Supervision and objects of Hill-crest School. The Oregon State Board of Control shall equip, conduct, maintain and supervise the Hillcrest School of Oregon in the same manner as it does other state institutions. The school shall be conducted in such manner as to provide an industrial and vocational education to its immates and to promote their moral, mental and physical welfare

420.330 Persons who may be committed. The Hillcrest School of Oregon shall be used as a place of correction for girls between the ages of 12 and 21 years. No girl shall be committed to the school after she has attained the age of 19 years

420.340 Jurisdiction over commitments; maximum term. Any juvenile court or court having jurisdiction of juvenile cases may commit any delinquent girl, as defined in ORS 419 102 and 419.503, to the Hillcrest School of Oregon to remain subject to its jurisdiction until she reaches the age of 21 years unless sooner paroled or released in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Board of Control.

420.350 Removal of incorrigible cases. If any girl committed to the Hillcrest School of Oregon is unsusceptible of reformation or incorrigible, so that her presence is detrimental to the best interests of the institution, she may, with the approval of the Board of Control, be returned by the superintendent of the school to the court by which she was committed to the school

420.360 Superintendent and officers to be women; employment of husbands of married appointees. The superintendent and all the subordinate officers of the Hillcrest School of Oregon shall be women However, if a married woman is appointed superinten-

dent, or to any subordinate position, the husband of such appointee may, with the consent of the Board of Control, reside in the institution, and may be assigned such duties or employment as the board of managers may prescribe.

420.370 Rules and regulations. The Board of Control shall make and publish rules and regulations governing the paroling, releasing and discharging of all inmates of the Hillcrest School of Oregon and for the management for the institution.

420.380 Method of making expenditures. All expenditures for the support of the Hillcrest School of Oregon shall be made by warrant drawn by the Secretary of State on the State Treasurer, and then only upon proper voucher approved by the superintendent and the Board of Control.

420.390 Purchase of supplies and equipment. All supplies and equipment shall be purchased by the Board of Control in the same manner as supplies and equipment for other state institutions are purchased.

420.400 Continuing application of statutes. Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Chapter 153, Oregon Laws 1913, are continued in full force as far as they affect actions pending, rights accrued, judgments unexecuted, proceedings had and commitments thereunder ordered.

420.410 to 420.500 [Reserved for expansion]

# CAMP FOR DELINQUENT BOYS

420.510 Definitions for ORS 420.510 to 420.640. As used in ORS 420.510 to 420 640, unless the context requires otherwise.

(1) "Boys' camp" means a place removed from a city or town a sufficient distance so that same is not readily accessible to the boys in such camp and which camp or place is improved with adequate housing, schooling and such other facilities as are most conducive to the welfare of such boys, and situate upon a plot of ground having adequate space for athletic games and such other activities as may be deemed desirable.

(2) "Board" means the Oregon State Board of Control.

420.520 Boys' camp established; purpose. In order to provide appropriate facilities for the care of delinquent boys or the wards of the courts having jurisdiction over juveniles who are amenable to corrective

training other than in close confinement, to secure a better classification and segregation of said boys and wards according to their capacities, interests and rehabilitation possibilities, and to reduce the necessity of expanding the existing grounds and housing facilities for the confinement of said boys and wards, and to give better opportunity for rehabilitation and the encouragement of self-discipline in such boys and wards, a boys' camp shall be established, and maintained by the board under supervision separate from any other state institution

420.530 Location of camp. For the purpose of convenience and economy in the early establishment of the boys' camp, and for the further purpose of utilizing the facilities already provided which, together with the grounds, are owned by this state, the board shall establish and maintain the camp for the biennium ending June 30, 1949, at a place commonly known as Reeher's C C C camp located near the United States postoffice at Timber and on the following described lands

North half of northwest quarter, section 32, township 3 north, range 5 west of the Willamette Meridian, in Washington County, Oregon

420.540 Continuation and transfer of camp. After July 1, 1949, the board may, in its discretion, continue to maintain the camp at the location described in ORS 420 530 If, however, in the discretion of the board it is deemed necessary in order to more fully comply with the requirements of ORS 420 520 to 420 640 and to accomplish the purposes thereof, the boys' camp may be transferred to another location within this state, to be selected by the board

420.550 Agreement with federal and state agencies. In establishment and operation of the boys' camp the board may enter into agreements with the forestry service of the United States or of this state, or any other federal or state agency, to make available to the boys of the boys' camp, wholesome and healthful outdoor tasks and activities

420.560 Payment of wages to inmates. The board may provide for payment of wages for compensation in such amounts as may be deemed proper to boys in the boys' camp for work performed by them

420.570 Report on possibility of rehabilitation. Any court having jurisdiction over

juveniles may, before committing a juvenile for any offense, obtain from the probation officer attached to such court, or, if the court does not have a probation officer, from such other qualified person as may be specially designated by the court, complete information as to a boy about to be committed in respect to his likelihood of rehabilitation, and may determine from such report and such other information as may be obtained, whether or not such boy should be committed to the boys' camp.

420.580 Recommitment from MacLaren School for Boys. The superintendent of the MacLaren School for Boys shall investigate and determine the availability for rehabilitation, through the benefits of the boys' camp, of all boys under his jurisdiction. The superintendent may recommend to the court which committed any boy found by the superintendent to be eligible, that it recommit such boy to the boys' camp

420.590 Jurisdiction of court to recommit. The committing court is vested with power to commit or recommit any boy recommended to the boys' camp under ORS 420 580 However, jurisdiction of the committing court over all boys committed to the boys' camp shall continue until such boys are released or discharged from such camp. Should any boy while committed to the boys' camp display or manifest a disinclination for rehabilitation, such boy may be recommitted to the MacLaren School for Boys

420.600 Age and term of commitment. Boys over 12 years of age and not more than 18 years of age only may be received in the boys' camp All commitments to the boys' camp shall be for an indeterminate period of time. Any committed boy shall be subject to release at such time as the personnel of the camp have determined a satisfactory adjustment on the part of the boy to warrant his return to the community

420.610 What courts may commit to camp. Any court exercising jurisdiction, in addition to the powers now vested in such courts in respect to juveniles, may temporarily or permanently commit children under the jurisdiction of such court, and subject to commitment otherwise, to the boys' camp with the same validity and effect as other commitments are made

420.620 Training, discipline and instruction. In maintaining the boys' camp, the

board shall provide the boys with training and discipline and spiritual instruction as is deemed most likely to rehabilitate the boys To that end such management shall require of the boys such courses in academic and vocational education as may be deemed necessary As an incident thereto, the boys shall, so far as feasible and practical, be given governmental instruction in the practical operation of the camp and its maintenance, as well as in farming, gardening and building of trails, the building of fire breaks, fire and forestry trails and other duties of a comparable nature The boys shall be required to do the necessary chores and perform any other acts incident to making the camp as nearly self-sustaining as possible, consistent with their ability and without jeopardy to the schooling of the boys.

420.630 Facilities to be provided. The board may provide the boys' camps with the following, of which the facilities shall be according to the commonly accepted standard of suitability for the purpose

- (1) Housing, kitchen, toilet and bathing facilities
- (2) Recreational and schoolroom facili-
- (3) Playground facilities and other outdoor activity.
- (4) Transportation commensurate with the needs of the camp
- (5) Proper and adequate services by a physician and dentist for emergency and other necessary treatment of the boys
- (6) Religious instruction at least once a week of a nature consistent, as nearly as practical, with the faith or religion of each boy

420.640 Examination by psychiatrist; use of findings and recommendations. The board shall obtain the services of a psychiatrist Every boy committed to the camp shall be examined by the psychiatrist not later than 10 days after being received at the camp The findings and recommendations of the psychiatrist shall be reduced to writing and delivered to the superintendent of the camp The superintendent and the personnel shall be guided by said findings and recommendations in the care, education, treatment and rehabilitation of the boy

**420.650 to 420.700** [Reserved for expansion]

# TRANSFER OF INMATES TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS

420.710 Transfer of mentally ill inmates. Whenever any inmate of the MacLaren School for Boys or the Hillcrest School of Oregon, in the judgment of the superintendent of the institution concerned, is insane, the superintendent shall give notice to the Oregon State Board of Control The Board of Control shall thereupon order an examination of such inmate by one or more of the physicians of the Oregon State Hospital If the examining physicians find the inmate insane, they shall so certify under oath to the Board of Control which shall order the inmate transferred to the Oregon State Hospital for treatment.

420.720 Transfer of feeble-minded inmates. (1) Whenever any inmate of the MacLaren School for Boys or the Hillcrest School of Oregon becomes feeble-minded, in the judgment of the superintendent of the institution concerned, the superintendent shall give notice to the county court of the county in which the institution is located.

- (2) The court shall thereupon order an examination by one or more physicians of either the Oregon Fairview Home or the Oregon State Hospital If the examining physicians find the inmate to be feebleminded, they shall so certify under oath to the county court and the court shall order the inmate to be transferred to the Oregon Fairview Home.
- (3) The examination and commitment under this section shall be conducted and made in the manner provided by law for examination and commitment of persons to the Oregon Fairview Home, and shall be without expense to the county for the services of the examining physicians under subsection (2) of this section.

420.730 Transfers for medical care; return; costs. Whenever any inmate of the MacLaren School for Boys or the Hillcrest School of Oregon is in need of any medical treatment which cannot properly be given at such school, the Board of Control may temporarily transfer such inmate to any state-aided institution which may have proper facilities for giving such treatment While at such institution such inmate shall be subject to the discipline and control thereof. Upon the completion of the treatment the inmate shall be returned to the school to which originally committed. The Board of Control

may pay the cost of such treatment from the appropriation to the school to which the inmate is committed

**420.740 to 420.800** [Reserved for expansion]

# PLACEMENT IN FOSTER HOMES OF CHILDREN COMMITTED TO STATE TRAINING SCHOOLS

420.810 Placement of child committed to juvenile training school in foster home. All children committed to and received in the juvenile training schools of this state who, in the judgment of the respective superintendent, have made sufficient progress in rehabilitation and reform, may, with the approval of the Board of Control, be placed by the superintendent with any person or family of good standing and character for care and education under an agreement pursuant to ORS 420.815 [1953 c.153 §1]

420.815 Placement agreements with persons or families. (1) The superintendents of the juvenile training schools may enter into agreements with persons or families found suitable for the placement of children

(2) Any agreement shall provide for the custody, care, education, maintenance and earnings of the child placed for a time fixed in the agreement but not to exceed the time when the child reaches the age of 21 years. The agreement shall be signed by the person assuming the foster care and by the superintendent of the school concerned [1953 c.153 §2]

420.820 Visiting of foster homes by school staff members. The superintendents shall appoint members of their staff as visiting agents for the purpose of visiting the foster homes and children placed therein as often as the superintendents deem necessary. The visiting agents shall ascertain whether the children are properly placed and shall

make such reports as are required by the appointing superintendent concerning their investigations and visits. [1953 c.153 §3]

420.825 Return of child to school. Any child placed pursuant to ORS 420 810 to 420.840 may, on order of the superintendent concerned, be returned to the school or replaced, if, in the opinion of the superintendent, the child is not given the care, education and treatment required by the agreement or for other reasons would benefit by removal from the foster home [1953 c 153 §4]

420.830 Contribution by natural parents to maintenance of placed child. The natural parents of any child placed pursuant to ORS 420.810 to 420.840 may be required to contribute to the maintenance of the child in keeping with their ability to pay, but not to exceed \$60 per month The parents' ability to pay shall be determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the proceeding provided in ORS 437.250 to 437.280 [1953 c 153 §5]

420.835 Prohibition of interference with control of placed child. No parent or other person not a party to the placement agreement shall interfere with or assume any control over the placed child [1953 c 153 §6]

420.840 Cooperation of superintendents with other child welfare agencies. The superintendents of the juvenile training schools, in carrying out the provisions of ORS 420 810 to 420 840, may cooperate with and consult any private or public agency concerned with child welfare [1953 c.153 §8]

**420.845 to 420.980** [Reserved for expansion]

# **PENALTIES**

**420.990 Penalties.** Violation of ORS 420.835 is a misdemeanor. [1953 c 153 §7]