

person authorized to issue certificates to investigate the truth of the statements contained in said application, and in case no facts appear within such period of ten days discrediting or contradicting any material statement of such application, the person authorized to issue certificates shall direct the physician hereinbefore provided for to add to his statement as to the physical condition of said child a certificate stating whether said child is, in the opinion of said physician, of the full age of 14 years; and in case said physician shall so certify that said child is, in his opinion, at least of the full age of fourteen years, said person authorized to issue certificates shall accept said physician's certificate as sufficient proof of the age of such child for the purposes of this section.

The officer issuing the certificate shall require the evidence of age specified in subdivision (a) in preference to that specified in any subsequent subdivision and shall not accept the evidence of age permitted by any subsequent subdivision unless he shall receive and file in addition thereto an affidavit of the parent, guardian, legal custodian or next friend, showing that no evidence of age specified in any preceding subdivision or subdivisions of this section can be produced. Such affidavit shall contain the age, date and place of birth, and present residence of such child.

1912, ch. 731, sec. 14.

14. No general employment certificate shall be issued until the child in question has personally appeared before and been examined by the officer issuing the certificate, nor until such officer, after making such examination, has signed and filed in his office a statement that the child can read intelligently and write legibly simple sentences in the English languages.

1912, ch. 731, sec. 15.

15. The person authorized to issue a vacation employment certificate shall not issue such certificate until the child in question has personally appeared before said person authorized to issue said certificate, and until said person so authorized has received and filed the following papers duly executed, viz:

(1) Evidence of age, showing that said child is 12 years old or upwards, which evidence of age shall consist of A, B or C as set forth in section 13 above, or in lieu of said evidence A, B or C in case they cannot be prevented,* a statement from a regular physician designated by said person authorized to issue said certificate, certifying that he has examined said child, and that in his opinion said child is of the age of 12 years or upward, together with the affidavit of the parent, guardian, legal custodian or next friend of such child, that such child is above the age of 12 years.

*Probably a typographical error in the act.