

Oath of visitors. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That each visitor appointed under the act of eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, chapter one hundred and eighty-three, to which this act is amendatory, before he proceeds to act as such, shall take an oath to faithfully discharge the duties of his office.

Who to be received as inmates. SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That said Maryland Asylum and Training School for Feeble Minded, shall receive, care for and educate, free of charge, all idiotic, imbecile and feeble minded persons of this State. That the board of visitors shall consider proper subjects to receive the benefits of said Asylum and Training School, who shall present a certificate of the Orphans' Court or County Commissioners of the city or county in which such persons respectively reside, that they, their parents or guardians, are unable to pay for the maintenance and education, in whole or in part; and in case such persons or any of them, their parents or guardians, are able to pay for such maintenance and education in part, then said visitors shall be at liberty to charge so much as they shall find such persons, their parents or guardians, are severally able to pay towards such maintenance and education; but where such persons, their parents or guardians, are able to pay in full, the said visitors are permitted to charge such reasonable amount as will cover the expense for the maintenance and education of each person so able to pay; and said visitors shall also be authorized to receive feeble minded children from other States and the District of Columbia, when there is ample room in said institution for the same, upon such terms and conditions as the board of visitors shall approve; and all moneys so received for board or tuition shall be applied in the maintenance of said institution.

Asylum to be divided into two departments. SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of said visitors, when they have the means and facilities at command for so doing, to divide said Asylum and Training School into two district departments, one educational, the other custodial. All feeble minded persons in said institution who are capable of improvement, shall be placed in the educational department, and shall be taught the rudiments of a common school education, as far as practicable, in connection with culture in manual and industrial occupations, with a view to secure future usefulness and self support. The custodial department shall be an asylum for such feeble minded persons in said institution as shall not be capable of improvement by school instruction, and who shall require extraordinary surveillance and care.