
CHAPTER 167

THE FEMALE PERSONS OF UNSOUND MIND (PROTECTION) ACT

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FEMALE PERSONS OF UNSOUND MIND (PROTECTION)

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1. This Act may be cited as the Female Persons of Unsound Mind (Protection) Act. **Short title.**

2. In this Act—

Interpretation

"institution for persons of unsound mind" means an asylum, hospital or licensed house;

"person of unsound mind" includes an idiot;

"manager" in relation to an institution for persons of unsound mind means the superintendent of an asylum, the resident medical officer or superintendent of a hospital, and the resident licensee of a licensed house.

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(Protection)

**Abuse of female
person of
unsound mind.**

3. If any manager, officer, nurse, attendant, groom, messenger or other person employed in or about any institution for persons of unsound mind (including an asylum for criminal persons of unsound mind) or any person having the care or charge of any single patient or any attendant of any single patient carnally knows or attempts to have carnal knowledge of any female under care or treatment as a person of unsound mind in the institution or as a single patient he shall be guilty of a misdemeanour and on conviction shall be liable to be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding two years; and no consent or alleged consent of such female thereto shall be any defence to an indictment or prosecution for such offence.
