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**CHAPTER 80.**

AN ACT to amend section 585d, statutes of 1898, as amended, relating to the payment of fees and expenses in proceedings to determine sanity.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 585d, statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 16, laws of 1903, is amended to read:

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**CHAPTER 81.**

AN ACT to amend subdivision 7, section 430, statutes of 1898, relating to powers of school district meeting.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Subdivision 7, section 430, statutes of 1898, is amended to read:

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the oath of the examining physicians which shall be substantially in the following form:

State of Wisconsin }  
..... County } ss.

.....and ....., being each duly sworn, each for himself says that he has made personal examination and inquiry as to the mental condition of....., and that the answers to the foregoing questions are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this .....day of....., 19....

**Report forwarded to hospital.** 9. Such report of the physicians shall be made in each case, whether the question of insanity is tried before a jury or otherwise, and shall be forwarded with the commitment to the superintendent of the hospital.

(Ch. 660, 1907.)

**Sanity inquiries: fees of examining physicians.** SECTION 585d. The county judge, except of Milwaukee county, shall receive a fee of five dollars for the hearing of an application to commit a person alleged to be insane, which fee shall include the making of necessary copies of the order to commit such person and the commitment papers, together with the certificate required by section 585c, when the insane person is committed to the county asylum; and each of the examining physicians shall receive a fee of four dollars for his examination and certificate, and ten cents per mile for necessary travel in complying with the requirements of his appointment; and in any contested matter arising under this chapter or in any case where the judge, in his discretion, shall postpone the examination of such person, a fee of four dollars for each day he may be required by the county judge to attend before him on such examination.

All expense of the proceedings, from the presentation of the application to the actual commitment or discharge of the alleged insane person, whether such person is a resident or nonresident of the county in which the proceedings are had, shall be allowed and paid by the county from which such person is committed. in the same manner as the expense of a criminal prosecution in a justice's court are allowed and paid, and if any

county is chargeable with some portion of the expense of maintaining such insane person so committed, such county shall pay the expense of such commitment, payment thereof to be enforced in the same manner that charges for the maintenance of such persons are enforced.

If the insane person is a resident of any county in this state other than the county from which he was committed, the commitment shall not be invalid for that reason, and the county in which such person resides shall reimburse the county from which he was committed, all lawful expenses of the examination and commitment paid by that county.

(Ch. 80, 1907.)

**Insane patients, state hospital and county asylums: suits for support.** SECTION 600. The several district attorneys, under the direction of the respective county boards, shall, in the name of the county, sue for and collect from the property of any patient maintained at ( \* \* \* ) *a state hospital or county asylum* for the insane, at the cost of the county, or from any person legally bound to support such patient, the amount charged to *and by* such county for such support; *and in the case of the decease of any such patient, before payment for such maintenance, such district attorney shall in the name of the county file against the estate of such deceased person as a claim and may have allowed proper charges for the maintenance of such patient pursuant to law; and the duplicate statement of the board of control to the county clerk as to a state hospital, and of the trustees as to a county asylum, shall be presumptive evidence respectively of the correctness of the amount due from such county to the hospital for the maintenance and clothing of such hospital patient, and of the amount due to the county for the maintenance of such patient in county asylum and state hospital.*

(Ch. 624, 1907.)

**Workhouses and houses of correction: county sites and buildings for.** SECTION 603. Any county board may, with the consent of the state board of control, purchase a site for an asylum for the chronic insane *or a site for a house of correction or workhouse*, and erect thereon, pursuant to plans, drawings and specifications approved by said board of control, buildings for the care of such insane *or the detention of prisoners or inmates*, and levy taxes and issue bonds to defray the cost of such site *or sites* and buildings, furnishing the latter for