

the court. *The word "support" as used herein shall include medical and hospital care.*

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CHAPTER 257.

AN ACT to amend 48.07 (7) (a) of the statutes, relating to commitments of children.

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

48.07 (7) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

48.07 (7) (a) Whenever in the course of a proceeding instituted under sections 48.01 to 48.07 or otherwise, it shall appear to the court that the person or child welfare agency (other than a parent) having the care, control and custody of such child is not fitted therefor or that the parents of a child have abandoned such child or have substantially and continuously or repeatedly refused or being financially able have neglected to give such child parental care and protection, or whenever at any time, after the expiration of one year from the date that the temporary custody of a child has been placed with some person or agency (other than a parent) by order of a court of competent jurisdiction and while said child continues in said custody, it shall appear to the court that the parents or surviving parent, or the mother of said child, if said child is illegitimate, are not fit or proper by reason of immoral debauchery, habitual use of intoxicating liquor or narcotic drugs, or repeated lewd and lascivious behavior, and said conduct is found by the court as likely to be detrimental to the health, morals, or well-being of said child; or that the parents or surviving parent of said child or the mother of said child, if said child is illegitimate, has been adjudged feeble-minded more than 2 years before by a court of competent jurisdiction and on reexamination is adjudged still to be feeble-minded, the court shall have jurisdiction to transfer the permanent care, control and custody of such child to some other person, agency, or institution, and in the exercise of such jurisdiction the court may terminate all rights of the parents with reference to such child, and also may appoint a guardian for

the person of such child. Such transfer of the permanent care, control or custody of a child or termination of the rights of the parents with reference to a child shall be made only after a hearing before the court and the court shall cause notice of the time, place and purpose of such hearing to be served on the parents of such child personally at least 10 days prior to the date of hearing or if to the satisfaction of the court personal service cannot be obtained, then by publication thereof in a newspaper in the county once a week for 3 weeks prior to the date of hearing. In case of any minor parent the court shall appoint a guardian ad litem therefor in the manner provided for appointment of guardians ad litem in the county court. Such guardian ad litem shall be an attorney admitted to practice in this state and shall be allowed reasonable compensation to be paid by the county wherein the proceeding shall be held under this chapter, upon the order of the presiding judge and the certificate of the clerk of such court.

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CHAPTER 258.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money therein named to the joint committee created by Joint Resolution No. 43, S. for the execution of its functions.

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

There is appropriated from the general fund to the joint committee created by Joint Resolution No. 43, S. to investigate the advisability of establishing institutions, schools, facilities and methods for the care, examination and treatment of delinquent and underprivileged children, the sum of \$1,500 for the execution of its functions under said joint resolution. Expenditures from this appropriation shall be made upon vouchers signed by the chairman and secretary of said committee.

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