

of the court, perform the same duties as salaried probation officers in any case assigned to them, but shall not be vested with police powers. *They may be reimbursed out of funds made available to the juvenile court for such actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties as the juvenile court in its discretion may order.*

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CHAPTER 191.

AN ACT to create 157.04 (4) of the statutes, relating to abandoned cemeteries.

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

157.04 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

157.04 (4) Whenever any cemetery in a town is falling into disuse, or is abandoned or neglected, and by reason of the removal or death of the persons interested in its upkeep there exists no association or group with authority to transfer such cemetery to the town, the county judge may upon petition by 6 or more persons interested in the upkeep of the cemetery authorize its transfer to the town, including the transfer of all assets. Such acquisition must be authorized by the town meeting. Cemeteries so acquired shall be managed as provided for other town cemeteries.

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CHAPTER 192.

AN ACT to amend 16.38 (1); to repeal and recreate 46.21; and to create 16.33 (1) (q) of the statutes, relating to civil service and county boards of public welfare in populous counties.

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

SECTION 1. 16.33 (1) (q) of the statutes is created to read:
16.33 (1) (q) Director of institutions and departments; mem-

bers of the medical staffs of the various hospitals, sanitariums, and other county institutions who are supplied by a medical school or medical societies without expense to or compensation from the county.

SECTION 2. 16.38 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

16.38 (1) Whenever a person possessing appointing power in the county, *the chief executive officer of a department, board or institution, the county park commission, county-election commission, civil service commission, and county board of welfare as to officers and employes under their respective jurisdictions,* believes that an officer or employe in the classified service in his or its department has acted in such a manner as to show him to be incompetent to perform his duties or to have merited suspension, demotion, or dismissal, he or it shall report in writing to the civil service commission setting forth specifically his complaint, and may suspend the officer or employe at the time such complaint is filed. *It shall be the duty of the chief examiner to file charges against any officer or employe in the classified service upon receipt of evidence showing cause for suspension, demotion or discharge of such officer or employe in cases where a department head or appointing authority neglects or refuses to file such charges. Charges may be filed by any citizen against an officer or employe in the classified service where in the judgment of the commission the facts alleged under oath by such citizen and supported by affidavit of one or more witnesses would if charged and established amount to cause for the discharge of such officer or employe.* The commission shall forthwith notify the accused officer or employe of the filing of such charges and on request provide him with a copy of the same.

SECTION 3. 46.21 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

46.21 COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE IN POPULOUS COUNTIES. (1) APPOINTMENT; ORGANIZATION; COMPENSATION. (a) In each county having a population of 500,000 there is created a board of 5 members which shall be known as the county board of public welfare, hereinafter referred to as the board. The county board of supervisors by a majority vote of the members-elect thereof shall choose 4 of such members from among the electors of the county, and 1 member from the membership of said county board of supervisors. All members shall hold office for the term of 4 years. Appointments

of director for the devolution of his authority in the case of his temporary absence, illness or other disability to act.

(e) The county may pay the actual travel expense of persons called into consultation by the board as to matters within the field of public welfare.

(f) The board may provide for and appoint a special examining committee to examine into the qualifications for candidates for the office of director of institutions and departments and make recommendations to the board thereon. The board may compensate the members of such examining committee for their services and expenses and such compensation and reimbursement of expense shall be paid by the county.

(g) The board shall establish such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the management and operation of the county institutions and departments mentioned in section 46.21 (2) (a).

(h) Rules and regulations adopted by and policies established by such board of public welfare shall be subject to change by the county board of supervisors, but only by a two-thirds vote of the members-elect thereof.

(3) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTOR. (a) All of the administrative and executive powers and duties of managing, operating, maintaining and improving the several institutions and departments, specified in subsection (2) (a) of this section and such other institutions and departments as may at any future time be placed under the jurisdiction of such board of public welfare and director by the county board of supervisors, shall be vested in such director, to be administered by him under the rules promulgated and subject to the policies and in accordance with the principles established by such county board of public welfare. The salary of such director shall be fixed by the county board of supervisors, to be paid as salaries of other county officers are paid.

(b) Contracts and purchases of the director shall be subject to an inspection either by the proper committee of the county board of supervisors or such other agency as such county board of supervisors may select, provided, that nothing herein contained shall preclude the setting up of a central purchasing department for all county purchases, if so determined by such board of supervisors.

(4) DEPARTMENT HEADS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES. (a) The director shall appoint, pursuant to sections 16.31 to 16.44, and subject to the approval of the county welfare board, department heads who shall, under the direction of said director, have the care and management respectively of the several institutions and departments specified in subsection (2) (a) of this section and such others as may be placed under the jurisdiction of said director and board by the county board of supervisors. Upon recommendation of the director, approved by the board, the county board of supervisors may place more than one institution or department under the management and direction of one department head. The board may prefer charges against any officer or employe in any of the county institutions and departments under its jurisdiction and for that purpose shall be deemed an appointing power within the language of section 16.38 of the statutes.

(b) Each such department head shall take and file his official oath and execute and file an official bond with sureties approved and in such sum as shall be fixed by such board of public welfare.

(c) Each of such department heads shall, subject to the approval of said director, have power to appoint, discipline and remove, under the provisions of sections 16.31 to 16.44 all officers and employes in his department. Such department heads may at any time present communications to the board upon any matter through the director who shall present such communications to the board at its next meeting thereafter.

(d) The county treasurer shall be ex-officio the treasurer of all such institutions and departments, and shall keep separate accounts of all moneys appropriated or otherwise received for the aforesaid institutions and departments and pay the same out upon orders issued by the county clerk and countersigned by the county auditor on vouchers certified to the clerk by the director.

(e) All department heads, officers and employes appointed and acting on the effective date of this act (July 1, 1947) shall continue to hold their present respective offices and employments until their right thereto is terminated as provided by law.

(5) ADMISSION OF INMATES FOR PAY. (a) Any resident of this state, not indigent, may be received into the infirmary, to be treated, cared for, and maintained upon such terms

and conditions and at such rate of pay as may be established by the board; but indigent and destitute persons shall have preference in admission to and care in such institution.

(b) The provisions of sections 49.07, 49.08 and 49.13 shall govern the support and maintenance of persons in any of the institutions in charge of said director.

(6) REPORTS; APPROPRIATIONS; EXPENDITURES.

(a) On the first day of July of each year, or within 30 days thereafter, said director shall render an annual report together with the reports of the department heads, including an itemized statement of receipts and disbursements for the preceding calendar year. Such director shall maintain the uniform system of books, accounts, records and reports prescribed by the state board of control, conforming in all respects with the provisions of section 46.18 (7).

(b) The county board shall make sufficient appropriation annually for the support, maintenance, salaries, repairs and improvements to said institutions; and such appropriations so made shall be used for such purposes and subject to the order of such director in such manner as the regulations of the board of public welfare shall provide; but neither the director nor such board shall incur any expense nor make any contract for new buildings or additions to present buildings, or for the purchase of land, without first being authorized so to do by the county board, nor until the county board has appropriated or provided for the money to defray such expense.

(7) **CLINICS.** The director is hereby empowered to establish and conduct clinics in connection with the county hospital, subject to such rules and regulations as the board of public welfare may prescribe.

(8) **POWERS OF BOARD; EMERGENCY HOSPITAL.** The board of public welfare, as aforesaid, upon authorization of the county board, shall have and exercise the following additional powers:

(a) To establish and maintain a public health and medical dispensary and conduct same as may be proper and necessary for the preservation of the public health and the prevention of disease in such county.

(b) To establish and maintain in connection with such county hospital an emergency unit or department for the treatment, subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by

such board of public welfare, of persons in said county who may meet with accidents or be suddenly afflicted with illness not contagious; provided that medical care and treatment shall only be furnished in such unit or department until such time as the patient may be safely removed to another hospital or to his place of abode, or regularly admitted to said county hospital.

(c) To establish and maintain in connection with the institutions and departments under the control of such board, a training school for nurses and to purchase and take over all property, and to assume all obligations, and to conduct any training school now operated in connection with said institutions or departments or any of them.

(d) To establish and maintain in connection with or separate from the county hospital a unit or department for the treatment, subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by said board of public welfare, of persons in said county who may be afflicted with contagious diseases.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1947, after passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 193.

AN ACT to create 84.103 of the statutes, relating to the Silent Cross Memorial Highway and providing a penalty.

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

84.103 of the statutes is created to read:

84.103 SILENT CROSS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (1) The state highway commission is authorized and directed to make plans for and construct in accordance with this section a beautiful highway to be known as the "Silent Cross Memorial Highway" as a living memorial to and in honor of our soldiers, living and dead, of all wars in which the United States of America has engaged. The highway shall consist of a horizontal and a vertical member. The horizontal member shall commence at or near Milwaukee, following generally present state trunk highway number 30 to Madison and thence proceed westerly, leaving