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CHAPTER 418.

AN ACT to amend 49.30 of the statutes, relating to funeral expenses of old age assistance beneficiaries.

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

49.30 of the statutes is amended to read:

49.30 On the death of a beneficiary reasonable funeral expenses shall be paid to such persons as the county judge directs; provided, that these expenses do not exceed * * * \$150 and that the estate of the deceased is insufficient to defray these expenses.

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CHAPTER 419.

AN ACT to create 196.645 of the statutes, relating to prescribing retroactive rates for public utilities under certain circumstances.

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

196.645 of the statutes is created to read:

196.645 REDUCTION IN RATES; RETROACTIVE EFFECT. If the rates of any public utility shall be based upon the cost of any energy, commodity or service furnished to said utility which is in turn furnished or distributed by said utility to the public served by it, and the charges for which are regulated by any authority of the federal government, and such charges are changed by such federal authority, the commission upon complaint or upon its own motion may proceed to investigate and determine whether the utility's rates shall be changed by reason of the change in the cost of energy, commodity or service resulting from the change in charges as prescribed by such federal authority; and any such change in rates by the commission may be made effective as of the effective date of the order of the federal authority prescribing such change in charges. In any such case, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 196.62 and 196.63, the commission may determine and require