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CHAPTER 541.

AN ACT to create 51.21 (7) of the statutes, relating to the hospitalization, surgery and security in connection with persons in charge of the state in certain cases.

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

51.21 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

51.21 (7) TRANSFER FOR MEDICAL CARE. In order to expeditiously provide hospitalization or emergency surgery and also proper security of the person, the department is given authority, regardless of any statutory provision to the contrary, to temporarily remove any patient or prisoner in need of hospitalization or emergency surgery to the hospital ward of the Wisconsin state prison. As soon as practical after completion of such necessary hospitalization or emergency surgery, the department shall return any such patient or prisoner to the central state hospital. The state charges shall continue during the period of such transfer.

Approved July 26, 1949.