

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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AN ACT to amend chapter 150 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "Of Adjudgments in Criminal cases, and the Execution thereof."

The People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor that any person confined in prison in pursuance of the sentence pronounced by any of the courts of this State, is not a proper subject of such punishment, by reason of insanity, it shall be lawful for the Governor to cause the said insane person to be removed to and kept in some safe and convenient asylum, either in or out of this State, where such insane person may receive proper medical treatment, until he shall be restored to reason, or the term of his sentence may have expired, and the expense attending the compliance with any such order made by the Governor shall be paid upon his certificate out of any money in the Treasury of this State not otherwise appropriated.

Governor may remove insane persons from prison—expenses defrayed by State.

SEC. 2. In all cases where it is alleged that any convict in State Prison is an insane person, it shall be the duty of the State Prison Commissioner to notify the Governor of such alleged lunacy. Upon information given to the Governor, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint three licensed practicing physicians to meet at the State Prison, at a time appointed by him, to make enquiry as to the fact of the insanity of said prisoner, and upon their reporting that such lunacy does exist, it shall be the duty of the Governor to proceed in the manner provided in the preceding section of this act; said physicians shall be paid at the rate of five dollars per day for each and every day so occupied, and shall be entitled to ten cents per mile traveling fees, to be drawn from the Treasury on the warrant of the Governor.

State Prison Commissioner to notify Governor of such lunacy—duty of Governor.

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