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**CHAPTER 506.**

AN ACT to provide means of self-support to adult blind artisans, and the means of instruction to those desiring to become artisans and to appropriate money therefor.

PREAMBLE. Whereas the legislature by chapter 432, laws of 1903, provided that there should be created an institution where employment might be furnished to adult blind artisans and that proper facilities be also provided for such adult blind artisans to pursue their respective vocations; and whereas pursuant to such act the board of control provided proper facilities for the employment of adult blind artisans; and whereas, the experiment proved successful and proved that many adult blind artisans could be made self-supporting; and whereas the legislature by chapter 345, laws of 1905, made further provision to furnish means of self-support to adult blind artisans; and whereas it was further demonstrated that many adult blind artisans can be made self-supporting; to the end, therefore, that such reasonable aid may be continued to such persons as will enable them to successfully pursue their vocations.

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

SECTION 1. Section 572a of the statutes is amended to read:  
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SECTION 2. Section 572b of the statutes is amended to read:  
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SECTION 3. Section 572c of the statutes is amended to read:  
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SECTION 4. Section 572d of the statutes is amended to read:  
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SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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year after such notice is filed the repairs necessary to put such place of confinement in suitable condition are not made or a new place is not provided, the said board shall condemn said *house of correction, workhouse, jail, police station or lock-up* by filing a written order to that effect with the county clerk of the county in which the *house of correction, workhouse, or jail* shall be situated, in the case of a *house of correction, workhouse or jail*, or with the city or village clerk in the case of a police station or lock-up. After such order is filed it shall not be lawful to confine prisoners in the place specified therein, and it shall be the duty of the sheriff of the county, the chief of police, city or village marshal or constable, as the case may be, to immediately transfer all prisoners confined therein to some other suitable place of confinement and thereafter not to use such condemned place for confining prisoners therein; provided that such order of condemnation shall not take effect without the approval of the judge of the circuit in which the county containing the place so condemned is situated; and provided further, that such board may at any time for reasons which to it may seem sufficient, and with the approval of such judge, revoke its order of condemnation and extend the time for issuing such order not to exceed one year additional from the time of filing its first notice.

(Ch. 235, 1907.)

**School houses, lockups prohibited near.** SECTION 566m. Hereafter no lock-up or temporary place of confinement for insane persons or persons arrested for breach of ordinance or statute shall be erected in any village, or city of the third or fourth class within three hundred feet of any public, private or parochial school building, or building used regularly or principally for school purposes.

(Ch. 339, 1907.)

**Institution for blind artisans: buildings, tools, material: willow raising.** SECTION 572a. The state board of control is hereby authorized and directed to continue the institution already established and to make provision for the leasing of such suitable buildings or apartments as may be necessary, to provide for the heating and lighting of such buildings or apartments and for such water as may be necessary to be used in such buildings or apartments; the rent of such buildings or apartments and the cost of furnishing the heating, lighting and wa-

ter, to be paid by the state under the direction of the board of control. The board is also authorized to furnish to such artisans as avail themselves of the privileges of this act, a limited amount of materials and tools required in their employment. The board is also authorized to invest a sufficient amount of money in materials for use in the manufacture of different articles and to keep employed as an investment in materials a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500). The board is also authorized to continue the raising of willow at one or more of the state institutions to be used in the manufacture of articles and to pay any expenses which may be incurred in the raising of such willow.

(Ch. 506, 1907.)

**Blind artisans; instruction, board, transportation.**

SECTION 572b. The said board may also, in its discretion, continue to provide means of instruction in such buildings or apartments to any adult blind resident of the state who desires to learn a trade to enable such persons to avail themselves of the privileges conferred by this act. Said board may also provide for or make a reasonable allowance for the board of indigent blind artisans who are not residents of the city of Milwaukee, for a reasonable time so as to enable them to learn a trade and become self-supporting, such allowance not to exceed in any case the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75). Said board may also continue to provide means of transportation from any point within the state to Milwaukee for any indigent blind artisan who is a resident of the state and who desires to avail himself of the privileges of this act.

(Ch. 506, 1907.)

**Superintendent.** SECTION 572c. Said board is also authorized to employ some person to have charge and superintendence of such buildings or apartments and who shall direct what portion thereof shall be used by each person desiring to use the same. Said superintendent shall be paid compensation, to be fixed by the board.

(Ch. 506, 1907.)

**Appropriations; expenditures.** SECTION 572d. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be expended by the board in executing the requirements

of this act, during the current calendar year; and a further sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for expenses during the year 1908. The expenditures under this act shall not exceed the amounts herein appropriated unless the amount shall be increased pursuant to the provisions of section 563 of the statutes.

(Ch. 506, 1907.)

**\$25 quarterly county aid for certain blind.** SECTION 572i. Any male person over the age of twenty-one years, and any female person over the age of eighteen years, who is declared to be blind in the manner hereinafter set forth, and who is not an inmate of any charitable, reformatory or penal institution in this state, and who is not receiving aid from the state or any county or city, and who has an income of less than \$250 per annum, and who has been a bona fide resident of this state for ten years and of the county in which such application is made for at least three years next preceding the making of the application hereinafter set forth, may, in the discretion of the county board, receive from the county in which such person or persons are resident, a benefit of one hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly.

(Ch. 283, 1907.)

**Examiner of blind; records and fees.** SECTION 572j. The county board may appoint a regular practicing physician, whose official title shall be "Examiner of the Blind" and whose duty it shall be to examine all applicants for benefit and to endorse on the application a certificate showing whether such applicant is blind or not, and file the application so endorsed in the office of the county clerk. Such examiner shall keep a register in which he shall enter the name and address of each applicant so examined, and the date and result of such examination. Such examiner shall be paid by the county for his services the sum of two dollars for each applicant so examined.

(Ch. 283, 1907.)

**Affidavits of facts entitling.** SECTION 572k. Any person claiming a benefit as provided herein, shall make an affidavit before the county clerk of the county in which he resides of the facts which bring him within the provisions of this act, which affidavit shall be deemed an application for said benefit. Such application shall be accompanied by an affidavit of two freeholders residing in the county, that they are personally ac-