

SECTION 3. After making such examination if the committee shall deem it advisable in the interests of the state to agree with such corporations upon a basis of settlement of such actions it shall be lawful for said committee in behalf of the state to enter into contracts with each of said corporations providing the terms of settlement of each of said actions. If the terms of settlement shall be agreed upon, said committee is hereby authorized to provide in such contracts of settlement for the continuance of all said actions for such time as shall be necessary to fully comply with the terms of this act. All contracts made shall provide that when ratified by the legislature judgments may be entered in said actions pursuant to the terms of such contract.

SECTION 4. In case a basis of settlement is agreed upon between said committee and such corporations, said committee shall report on all contracts made together with all its proceedings to the next special session of the legislature.

SECTION 5. The intent of this act is to provide for an adjustment of all matters involved in said actions to become binding on the part of both parties, when ratified by the legislature, and until so ratified to be tentative only.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 442.

AN ACT to amend sections 1421—2 to 1421—8, inclusive, of the statutes, relating to the Wisconsin State Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 1421—2 to 1421—8, inclusive, of the statutes, relating to the Wisconsin State Tuberculosis Sanatorium, are amended to read:

Section 1421—2. 1. The * * * supervision of the medical policy and * * * the inspection of this sanatorium, for the purposes of criticism and suggestion, * * * shall be vested in an advisory board which shall consist of five members appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be a member of the state board of health, and at least two other members shall be licensed physicians, graduates of a reputable

medical college, and who shall hold their offices for the terms of one, two, three, four and five years respectively, beginning with the first day of July, 1905, and continuing until their respective successors are appointed and qualified.

2. Previous to the first day of July in each year thereafter, the governor shall in like manner appoint one member to hold office for the term of five years, beginning with the first day of July of the year of his appointment and continuing until his successor is appointed and qualified. Any member of the advisory board may be removed by the governor for such cause as he may deem sufficient, and any vacancy occurring from any cause in said board shall be filled as hereinbefore provided for the unexpired term.

3. No member of the advisory board shall receive any compensation for his services, but all expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties shall be paid from the current expense fund of the institution upon the presentation of vouchers properly certified.

Section 1421—3. 1. It shall be the duty of the advisory board * * * *to visit the institution as a body at least twice in each year, and by committee or by its individual members as often as they may deem it necessary. Such advisory board shall make an annual report to the state board of control on or before the first day of August in each year, giving its criticisms as to the management of the institution during the previous financial year and such suggestions as to the betterment of the medical treatment as it may desire.*

2. *Such reports shall be included in and made a part of the biennial report of the state board of control and shall be printed with the separate biennial report of the superintendent of said institution when such superintendent's report is ordered printed separately.*

Section 1421—4. 1. The appointment and removal of the superintendent of the sanatorium shall be made by the * * * *board of control * * * and his compensation shall be fixed by * * * that board * * ** The superintendent of the sanatorium shall appoint subject to the approval of the * * * *board of control*, such medical assistants as the * * * *said board may * * * deem necessary.* All other employes necessary for the efficient management of the institution shall be selected by the superintendent, *subject to the approval of the board of control.*

2. The number of such employes and the compensation for all such medical assistants and employes shall be determined

by the state board of control. The superintendent shall have general charge of the sanatorium grounds and the direction, control and discipline among all persons, employes, and patients. He shall maintain salutary discipline among all employes and patients of the sanatorium and enforce strict obedience to all rules and regulations of the institution.

3. All rules and regulations relating to the conduct of patients and employes shall be formulated by the superintendent, subject to the approval of the * * * *state board of control*. The superintendent shall cause complete records to be kept of all persons admitted as patients, which records shall show the period of treatment of each patient, and shall submit to the state board of control *and advisory board* monthly reports of the institution, in such form as the state board of control may require.

4. The superintendent shall also submit a biennial report to the state board of control *and advisory board*, giving in detail the methods of treatment of patients, the results accomplished, and a general account of the conditions existing at the institution. Such report shall be included in and made a part of the report of the state board of control, and said board of control may authorize the printing of a number of copies of the separate report of said institution, which number shall not exceed one thousand copies, the charges for such separate copies to be paid in the same manner as reports of the various departments of state are now paid.

Section 1421—5. The duties of the state board of control with reference to this institution shall be similar to the duties prescribed by chapter * * * 29 of the statutes of 1898 in reference to other state institutions. * * * *and the amendments thereto*.

Section 1421—6. * * * *The state board of control may appoint as medical examiner or examiners of said institution, any reputable physician or physicians, who shall be a citizen or citizens of Wisconsin, and whose duty it shall be to examine all persons applying for admission to the sanatorium. The fee of the examining physician shall not exceed four dollars (\$4.00) in any case, said amount to be paid by the applicant. If the applicant is unable to pay such fee, then such fee shall be charged against the county in which the patient resides.*

Section 1421—7. All persons affected with pulmonary tuberculosis in the incipient or slightly advanced stage may be admitted to said hospital, but preference shall be given to those suffering from the disease in the incipient form. No person

shall be so admitted unless he has been a resident of the state for a period of at least one year preceding his application for admission. Applicants for admission to the sanatorium shall be * * * *given a preliminary examination at various places throughout the state, designated by the * * * board of control, by its duly appointed and authorized physician or physicians. The physician's report of such examination shall be at once forwarded to the superintendent of the sanatorium and no patient will be received at the sanatorium except on previous notice from the superintendent. * * **

Section 1421—8. 1. All persons admitted as patients to the sanatorium shall pay to said institution the cost of their maintenance. The charges for any patient or patients may, however, be paid by any person or persons or society. The determination of such sum shall be made by the superintendent and the state board of control. Any person who is unable to pay the charges for his or her support may be admitted to said sanatorium after it has been determined by the examining physician and superintendent of the sanatorium that such person is suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis, *in the incipient or slightly advanced stage*, provided, however, that before such person shall be admitted to the sanatorium, he or she shall file a statement with the judge of the probate court of the county within which he or she resides, setting forth the fact that he or she is unable to pay the regular charges.

2. Said judge, upon presentation of the report of the * * * examining physician that said person is afflicted with pulmonary tuberculosis *in the incipient or slightly advanced stage and a statement from the superintendent of the sanatorium, that in his opinion the applicant is eligible and that he or she can be received*, shall make an investigation, and if he finds that said applicant or his legal representatives are actually unable to pay such charges, shall approve in writing the application of such person, *provided that such judge may in his discretion require the approval of chairman of the county board thereto, and in all cases the said judge shall notify the chairman of the county board of his action in such matters.* Said judge shall immediately forward to the superintendent of the sanatorium a certificate in writing that said patient is unable to pay said charges and that he or she is a resident of the county in which such application has been so approved.

3. The county from which such patient has been so certified shall be charged with the maintenance of such patient at the rate of five dollars (\$5.00) per week during the time that he

or she remains in said institution as an inmate. Such charges shall be collected in the manner provided by section 561e of the statutes. * * * *Any person who may be unable to pay the full charge for maintenance may be received upon paying the amount charged for county patients if the state board of control, after investigation, shall first have found that the patient has truly represented circumstances and is really unable to pay more than the amount charged for county patients.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 443.

AN ACT to appropriate certain sums of money to the several charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions, to cover deficiencies in the current expense funds of such institutions for the balance of the appropriation periods.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the several charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions for the current expenses of such institutions to the end of the appropriation periods, June 30, 1909, in addition to balance on hand, the sums of money named below: To the Northern Hospital for the Insane, sixteen thousand dollars; to the Wisconsin School for the Deaf, thirteen thousand dollars; to the Wisconsin Industrial Schools for Boys, eight thousand dollars; to the Wisconsin State Prison, thirteen thousand dollars; to the State Public School, fourteen thousand dollars; to the Wisconsin Tuberculosis Sanatorium, sixteen thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. The State Board of Control is authorized to use any balances of the appropriations made by this act which shall exist at the close of the present fiscal year, June 30, 1909, to defray the current expenses of the institutions herein enumerated for the biennial period commencing July 1st, 1909.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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