

as agent or employe for another, violates any provision of this section, or any regulation or order made in pursuance thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 1919.

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CHAPTER 331.

AN ACT to amend subsections 1, 3, 4 and 6 of section 1417m and to create subsections 12 and 13 of section 1417m of the statutes, relating to social diseases.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections 1, 3, 4 and 6 of section 1417m of the statutes are amended to read: (Section 1417m) 1. Any person afflicted with gonorrhoea, *chancroid* or syphilis in its infective or communicable stage is hereby declared to be a menace to the public health. Any physician licensed to practice medicine in this state who is called upon to attend or treat any person infected with gonorrhoea, *chancroid* or syphilis in its communicable stage, shall report to the state board of health in writing, at such time and in such manner as said board may direct, the age, sex and conjugal condition of such person and the name of the disease with which such person is afflicted. Such report shall be made on blanks furnished by the said board.

3. Any deputy state health officer having knowledge of any known or reasonably suspected case of gonorrhoea, *chancroid* or syphilis in the infectious or communicable stage for which no treatment is being administered under the supervision of a licensed physician authorized to prescribe drugs shall forthwith report such case to the state board of health in such manner and in such form as in the judgment of said board will best tend to preserve the public health and prevent public knowledge of the identity of such case. Said board shall immediately investigate or cause such case to be investigated and for such purpose may make or cause to be made such inspections, examinations, quarantines and disinfections as may be necessary. In making an examination of a female for the purpose of determining the existence of venereal disease a female physician may be secured by said board for such purpose when so requested by the person to be examined.

4. Whenever any person afflicted with gonorrhoea, *chancroid* or syphilis ceases taking treatment before he or she has reached

the stage of the disease where it is no longer communicable or whenever any person has been informed by a licensed physician that such person is afflicted with gonorrhoea, *chancroid* or syphilis in the communicable stages and the person so afflicted refuses to take treatment, the physician shall forthwith notify the state board of health, giving the age, sex and conjugal condition of the person afflicted and the nature of the disease. The state board of health shall without delay, take such steps as shall be necessary to have said person committed to a county or state institution for treatment until such person has reached the stage of the disease where it is no longer communicable and the person so committed shall not be released from treatment until this stage of the disease is reached unless other provisions satisfactory to the state board of health are made for suitable treatment.

6. Each county shall make such provisions as may be required by the state board of health to furnish the necessary care and treatment to all indigent persons residing in the county who are afflicted with gonorrhoea, *chancroid* or syphilis, or to any such person who may be committed to any county institution for failure to comply with this law, until such afflicted persons have passed the infectious or communicable stage of the disease.

SECTION 2. Two new subsections are added to section 1417m of the statutes to read: (Section 1417m) 12. No druggist or other person not a physician licensed under the laws of this state shall give, sell, prescribe or recommend to any person any drugs, medicine or other substances to be used for the cure or alleviation of syphilis, gonorrhoeal infection or chancroid, or shall compound any drugs or medicine for said purposes from any written or printed formula or order, not intended for the person for whom the drugs or medicine are compounded, except on written prescription bearing date and signed by a physician licensed under the laws of the state. Any violation of this section or of subsection 13 of section 1417m shall be punished under the provisions of subsection 11 of section 1417m.

13. It shall be unlawful for any person having the supervision or control of any public place to display or permit to be displayed any sign, poster, advertisement or prescription to be used in connection with the prevention or treatment of any venereal disease.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved June 11, 1919.