

CHAPTER 131.

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AN ACT to amend chapter 112 of the revised statute, entitled "of guardians and wards."

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

SECTION 1. Section seventeen of chapter one hundred and twelve of the revised statutes, is hereby so amended as to read as follows: Section 17. When any person, by excessive drinking, shall be unable to attend to business, or shall be lost to self control, and thereby shall greatly endanger his health, life or property, or shall be an unsafe person to remain at large, or shall by gaming, idleness or debauchery of any kind, so spend, waste or lessen his estate, as to expose himself or his family to danger of want or suffering, or the town to charge or expense for the support of himself or his family, any friend or relative of such person, or any one or more of the supervisors or justices of the peace of the town of which such person is an inhabitant, or in which he resides, may present a complaint to the judge of the county court, setting forth the facts and circumstances of the case, and praying to have a guardian appointed for him. The judge of the county court shall have power to authorize or direct the guardian of any such person, to commit such person to any inebriate asylum, either in or out of this state, to be designated by said judge, by order, for a term not exceeding one year: *provided*, that such judge may at any time within two months before the expiration of the term for which such person is so committed, upon new evidence taken in the case, by order, extend the term for which such person is so committed, not exceeding one year; the whole term of such commitment in no case to exceed two years in all.

Amended.

May petition for appointment of guardian.

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

Approved March 17, 1870.