

be reported to the governor and legislature in the annual report or reports of said school.

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

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## CHAPTER 76.

AN ACT to amend section 1, of chapter 369, of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act to fix the amount chargeable for the maintenance of insane persons in county asylums."

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the words, "state or," in the eleventh line of said section and by striking out the words, "hospital or," in the nineteenth and the thirty-third lines of said section, so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows: Section 12, of chapter 233, laws of 1881, is hereby amended by adding to the end thereof the following: Provided always, that no charges be made in any case, where, in the discretion of the court, a parent, wife or child is dependent on such property for future support, and that in no case such amount so paid, exceed the sum of three dollars per person per week, so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 12. The property and estate of any insane person, kept in any county asylum, or kept by any county at public charge under the provisions of this act, shall be liable for his support and maintenance, and chargeable for the payment thereof, and upon failure of the person or persons having the charge or custody of such property or estate, to pay therefrom for such support and maintenance, the board of trustees of the asylum, or the chairman of the board of supervisors of the county furnishing such support,

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may apply to the county judge of the proper county to compel such payment. In cases arising under the provisions of this section such county judge shall have the jurisdiction and authority conferred by chapter 63, of the revised statutes, and shall exercise such jurisdiction and authority in the manner provided by said chapter, and he may enforce obedience to his orders by proceedings as for a contempt. If any order or orders made by such judge requiring such payment shall not be complied with, either of the officers in this section designated, to wit: Such board of trustees of any asylum, or the chairman of the board of supervisors of any county, may recover in an action against the person or persons having the charge or custody of such property or estate, brought in the circuit court against him or them in his or their representative character, the amount directed to be paid by such order or orders, and any judgment so recovered may be satisfied out of such property or estate; such court may in its discretion, direct that the costs in said action, if the plaintiff recovers judgment, be paid out of such property or estate or by the person or persons having the charge or custody thereof; provided always, that no charges be made in any case, where, in the discretion of the court, a parent, wife or child is dependent on such property for future support, and that in no case such amount so paid exceed the sum of three dollars per person per week.

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

Approved March 11, 1889.