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CHAPTER 366

AN ACT to amend 49.18 (1a), 49.19 (5) and 49.61 (6) (b) of the statutes, relating to payment of funeral expenses for persons receiving aid to the blind, old-age assistance, aid to dependent children and aid to the disabled.

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

SECTION 1. 49.18 (1a) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.18 (1a) On the death of a recipient of such aid, if the estate of the deceased is insufficient to defray the funeral and burial expenses, such

reasonable amount not exceeding \$150 shall be paid for such expenses as the county agency directs, *exclusive of and in addition to the actual cemetery charges, not exceeding \$35, if the estate of the deceased is insufficient to defray these expenses. The relatives or friends of a beneficiary or the county responsible for the burial of a beneficiary, or both such persons and the county, may pay such additional actual cemetery charges as are in excess of \$35.*

SECTION 2. 49.19 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.19 (5) The aid shall be sufficient to enable the person having the care and custody of such children to care properly for them. The amount granted shall be determined by a budget for the family in which all income (except as provided by s. 49.18 (1) (a)) as well as expenses shall be considered. Such family budget shall be based on a standard budget, including the parents or other person who may be found eligible to receive aid under this section. Medical and dental aid may be granted to a minor child, to the person having his care and custody, and to the incapacitated father when he is in the home, as necessary. Not to exceed \$150 shall be allowed to cover the burial expenses of a dependent child or its parents, *exclusive of and in addition to the actual cemetery charges, not exceeding \$35, if the estate of the deceased is insufficient to defray these expenses. The relatives or friends of a beneficiary or the county responsible for the burial of a beneficiary, or both such persons and the county, may pay such additional actual cemetery charges as are in excess of \$35.* Aid pursuant to this section shall be the only form of public assistance granted to the family for the benefit of such child; and no aid shall continue longer than one year without reinvestigation. This subsection does not prohibit such public assistance as may legitimately accrue directly to persons other than the beneficiaries of this section who may reside in the same household.

SECTION 3. 49.61 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.61 (6) (b) On the death of a recipient of such aid, if the estate of the deceased is insufficient to defray the funeral and burial expenses, such reasonable amount not exceeding \$150 shall be paid for such expenses to such persons as the county agency directs, *exclusive of and in addition to the actual cemetery charges, not exceeding \$35, if the estate of the deceased is insufficient to defray these expenses. The relatives or friends of a beneficiary or the county responsible for the burial of a beneficiary, or both such persons and the county, may pay such additional actual cemetery charges as are in excess of \$35.*

Approved July 10, 1957.
