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AN ACT to create 51.12 (4a) of the statutes, relating to the granting of discharges to mental patients by the superintendents of both county mental hospitals in counties having a population of 500,000 or more.

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

51.12 (4a) of the statutes is created to read:

51.12 (4a) The superintendents of both county hospitals in counties having a population of 500,000 or more, with the approval of the department, may at any time discharge any patient (including those on conditional release) who in their judgment is recovered, or who is not recovered but whose discharge will not be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to the patient.

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