1975 Senate Bill 274

CHAPTER 287, Laws of 1975

AN ACT to amend 895.04 (4) and (5) of the statutes, relating to wrongful death awards.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
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895.04 (4) and (5) of the statutes are amended to read:

895.04 (4) Judgment for damages for pecuniary injury from wrongful death, and additional damages not to exceed $5,000 $10,000 for loss of society and companionship, may be awarded to the spouse, or unemancipated or dependent children, or parents of the deceased.

(5) If the personal representative brings the action, he may also recover the reasonable cost of medical expenses, funeral expenses, including the reasonable cost of a cemetery lot, grave marker and perpetual care of the lot. If a relative brings the action, he may recover such medical expenses, funeral expenses, including the cost of a cemetery lot, grave marker and perpetual care of the lot, on behalf of himself or of any relative specified in this section person who has paid or assumed liability for such expenses.