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CHAPTER 73.

AN ACT to amend section 1513 of the statutes of 1898, relating to commitment to the county poor-house.

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

Commitment to poor-house. SECTION 1. Section 1513 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1513. Whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of *any judge of any court of record* by a petition signed by the officer, if there be but one, or by any two officers charged with the care of the poor in any town, city, village or county that any person having a legal settlement therein is without sufficient means of support and necessary care and is by reason of sickness, infirmity, decrepitude, old age, drunkenness or pregnancy likely to become a public charge, either temporarily or permanently, or that such person lives in a state of indigence, squalor or filth likely to induce disease, or has removed to another town, city, village or county and has applied for and received temporary relief therein, and that the town, city, village or county represented by the petitioner or petitioners has reimbursed the municipality affording such relief, such judge may commit such person to the poor-house of his county, if there be one therein, otherwise to the poor-house of some other county for a definite time, not less than sixty days, or for an indefinite time, subject to such further order as he may make; but no person shall be so committed without having an opportunity to be heard in person or by some one in his behalf. Any order or process issued by such judge under this section may be served and such commitment may be made by any officer charged with the care of the poor in the county where the proceedings are had.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 11, 1905.