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CHAPTER 219.

AN ACT to renumber and amend 49.27; and to create 49.27 (2) of the statutes, relating to old-age assistance.

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

SECTION 1. 49.27 of the statutes is renumbered 49.27 (1) and amended to read:

49.27 (1) An applicant for old-age assistance shall file his sworn application in writing with the county in which he resides, in such manner and form as shall be prescribed by the department. * * *. Any individual wishing to make application for old-age assistance shall have opportunity to do so. Every applicant shall be promptly notified in writing of the disposition made of his application. Old-age assistance shall be furnished with reasonable promptness to any eligible individual.

SECTION 2. 49.27 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

49.27 (2) If a person eligible for or receiving old-age or any type of public assistance goes to another county to reside in a private tax-exempt, charitable, benevolent or fraternal institution or home for the aged, or a county home, or a municipal home, or a private nursing or convalescent home, and continues to be eligible for old-age assistance as defined in 49.20 (2) while therein residing, he shall receive such assistance, including care given under the provisions of 49.40, from the county from which he moved, or continue to receive his assistance from the county paying the same at the time he moved, respectively, unless he has a legal settlement under 49.11 in the county in which the institution or home is located, in which case such county shall make payment of such old-age assistance as he is eligible to receive. As used herein a private nursing or convalescent home means a place not public, admitting persons for indefinite residence for the purpose of furnishing them board, room, laundry and care because of prolonged illness or defect or during recovery from injury or disease, including the procedures commonly employed in waiting on the sick, such as administration of medicines, preparation of diets, bedside care, application of dressings and bandages and treatments prescribed by a physician.

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