

mation in detail required by the insurance department so as to show its true financial condition.

SECTION 16. This act shall not relate or apply to fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations doing business in this state on the lodge system, unless any such society, order or association shall qualify hereunder. Fraternal societies not affected.

SECTION 17. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 271.

AN ACT to provide for compensation to counties maintaining a hospital for the care and maintenance of acute and chronic insane persons and to provide payment for past maintenance of insane persons therein.

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

SECTION 1. As early as practicable in the month of July 1899, and in the months of January and July in every succeeding year, the secretary of state shall compute the aggregate amount which any county, maintaining a county hospital for the insane shall be entitled to receive from the state on the basis of two dollars and seventy-five cents per week for each acute insane and one dollar and fifty cents per week for each chronic insane person, to be certified by the trustees of said hospital to have been maintained by such county at public cost during the six months immediately preceding the first days of January Rate of compensation to be received from state. How paid.

and July, as aforesaid; and he shall thereupon draw his warrant for such aggregate amount, in behalf of said county, and shall deliver said warrant to the state treasurer, who shall thereupon place the amount of said warrant to the credit of said county on the books of the treasury. Such certificate shall be verified by the affidavit of the president and secretary of the board of trustees of such hospital, provided further, that before said warrant shall issue, the board of control shall determine as accurately as possible the number of acute and the number of chronic insane maintained in such hospital and certify the number of each to the secretary of state.

SECTION 2. All sums of money which would have become due to any such county under the provisions of section 10 of chapter 233, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1881 if the same had not been repealed shall be certified and paid to July 1, 1899, as provided by said act.

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

Approved April 26, 1899.

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CHAPTER 272.

AN ACT to amend section 486a, relating to libraries.

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

Fund for
libraries, how
derived and
expended.

SECTION 1. Section 486a of the Wisconsin statutes, 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 486a. The treasurer of