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CHAPTER 224

AN ACT to amend 51.27 (2) (b); and to create 51.27 (2) (c) and (d) of the statutes, relating to charge-backs on county TB sanatoria.

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

SECTION 1. 51.27 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

51.27 (2) (b) Beginning July 1, 1953, and annually thereafter, in addition to the charges provided by par. (a) the difference between such aid and the actual per capita cost of care and maintenance of such tuberculous mental patients as determined by the department of public welfare and department of state audit shall be charged to the county of the patient's legal settlement, or to the state if the patient has no legal settlement. *Provided that for the fiscal years 1954-55, 1955-56 and 1956-57 the per capita cost of care and maintenance shall include a charge for depreciation of not more than 2 per cent on all present sanatorium structures and attached fixtures erected or installed prior to January 1, 1937, and 5 per cent on all additions to sanatorium structures and attached fixtures erected or installed after January 1, 1937; and provided further, that depreciation of equipment, furniture and furnishings, including x-ray equipment but not including structures and attached fixtures may be included at the rate of 10 per cent per annum.*

SECTION 2. 51.27 (2) (c) and (d) of the statutes are created to read:

51.27 (2) (c) Beginning with the first charge made for cost of care incurred after July 1, 1954, as provided in s. 46.106 the county may add 4 per cent to such charge to recover the costs to the county in carrying such charges.

(d) Beginning with the first charge made for cost of care incurred after July 1, 1954, as provided in s. 46.106 the county may add 10 per

cent to such charge to generate sufficient earnings in addition to depreciation accruals to provide funds to cover replacement costs for buildings, fixtures and equipment as they are replaced.

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