

Assembly Bill 728

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CHAPTER 528

AN ACT to amend 46.165 of the statutes, relating to the membership of the joint committee on institution standards.

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

46.165 of the statutes is amended to read:

46.165 A joint committee on institution standards consisting of ~~7~~ 9 members shall develop minimum uniform standards for the care, treatment, health, safety, welfare and comfort of patients in county institutions and in the Grand Army home for veterans at King in accordance with ss. 49.18 (1) (b), 49.20 (2), 49.61 (1m), 51.24 (1) and 51.25. Three members shall be from the membership of the state board of public welfare chosen by such board. *One member shall be from the department of veterans affairs chosen by the board of veterans affairs.* ~~Four~~ Five members shall be chosen by the governor and shall be designated as the county board member, the county trustee member, the county superintendent member, *the county homes member* and the member from counties having a population of 500,000 or more. The county board member shall be chosen from a list

of 5 names of county board chairmen submitted by the Wisconsin county boards association. The county trustee and superintendent members shall be chosen from a list of 5 names for each position submitted by the Wisconsin county hospital association. *The County home member shall be chosen from a list of 5 names submitted by the Wisconsin county homes association.* The member from counties having a population of 500,000 or more shall be chosen from a list of 5 names submitted by the board of public welfare of such county. Terms of office shall begin on January 1, 1952, and shall continue for a period of 2 years. Any member shall be disqualified and cease to be a member of the committee upon losing the status upon which his appointment as a member was based. Vacancies shall be filled in the original manner for the unexpired term. All members shall serve without compensation but shall receive their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The board may establish and enforce the standards submitted by the joint committee. Annually, between January 1 and June 1 of each year the joint committee on standards shall review the minimum standards and rules for their establishment and enforcement and recommend to the state board of public welfare any changes. Such changes shall be effective as of July 1 of that year. If any county home or infirmary or hospital fails within 90 days to comply with the uniform standards in a manner satisfactory to the department it may suspend state aid to such institution.

Approved December 29, 1965.
