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CHAPTER 578.

AN ACT to create 20.18 (10) and 49.61 of the statutes, relating to aid to totally disabled persons and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. 20.18 (10) of the statutes is created to read:

20.18 (10) **TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED.**

Annually, beginning July 1, 1945, \$100,000 as state aid for totally disabled persons and in addition any moneys received from the federal government for such purposes, to be allotted and paid to counties upon certification of the state department of public welfare in accordance with the provisions of section 49.61.

SECTION 2. 49.61 of the statutes is created to read:

49.61 **AID TO TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED PERSONS.**

(1) **DEFINITION.** As used in this section a totally and permanently physically disabled person is a person found by medical authority to be so totally and permanently disabled physically as to require constant and continuous care.

(2) **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.** Aid under this section shall be granted only to an applicant,

(a) Who is more than 17 and less than 65 years of age;

(b) Who has resided in Wisconsin continuously for one year or more preceding the date of making application or of being granted aid;

(c) Who is a citizen of the United States;

(d) Who has no relatives able to support him and responsible for his support under section 49.11;

(e) Who is not an inmate of a prison, jail or other correctional institution, nor of an insane hospital or asylum, nor of any county or city home or other charitable, curative or correctional institution maintained by the state or any of its political subdivisions, provided that temporary care in a county or municipal hospital as a paying patient shall not preclude an applicant from such aid;

(f) Whose property does not exceed a home of reasonable value together with ownership of other property such as cash, securities and insurance with a cash surrender value in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to provide a reasonable reserve for

expenses of burial, last sickness and other emergency needs not covered by this section;

(g) Who is by certification of a licensed physician or panel of physicians on forms to be prescribed by the state department of public welfare found to be totally and permanently physically disabled, provided that such certification of disability shall be subject to review by a panel of physicians advisory to the state department of public welfare.

(3) APPLICATION. Application for aid may be made by an agent or the legal guardian of a person believing himself to be eligible. Application shall be made on forms prescribed by the state department of public welfare to the welfare agency of the county in which he resides.

(4) DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY. The county agency shall promptly make an investigation to ascertain all pertinent facts as to the applicant's eligibility.

(5) NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT. The county agency shall promptly notify the applicant, his agent or his legal guardian, in writing, as to whether or not he has been found to be eligible for this form of aid and the amount, if any, which he will be granted, provided that any applicant dissatisfied with the decision of the county agency upon his application may file application for review of denial as provided in section 49.50 (4).

(6) AMOUNT OF AID. The amount of aid which a person may receive under this section shall be according to his need but shall not exceed \$80 per month. Any person receiving aid under this section shall not be eligible for old-age assistance, aid to the blind or aid to dependent children.

(7) ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT. If the county agency shall find a person eligible for aid under this section, such agency shall on a form to be prescribed by the state department of public welfare, direct the payment of such aid by order upon the county clerk or county treasurer of the county, all payments of aid shall be made monthly.

(8) COUNTY APPROPRIATION. The county board of each county shall annually appropriate a sum of money sufficient to carry out the provisions of this section taking into account the money expected to be received during the ensuing year as state aid.

(9) STATE AID REIMBURSEMENT TO COUNTY. The county treasurer and county agency administrator of each county

shall monthly certify under oath to the state department of public welfare in such manner as the department prescribes, the claim of the county for state and federal reimbursement under this section, and if the department approves such claim, it shall certify to the secretary of state for reimbursement to the county 50 per cent of the approved amount paid by the county for aid to the disabled pursuant to this section, plus federal aid received for such expenditure. If the total amount due all counties exceeds the sum appropriated by section 20.18 (10) the appropriation shall be prorated by the department among the counties according to the amounts due them. To facilitate prompt reimbursement, the certification of the department may be based upon the certified statements of the county officers, provided that any necessary audit adjustments for any month of the current or prior fiscal years be made and included in subsequent certifications. The secretary of state shall draw his warrant forthwith for reimbursement to the respective counties in accordance with the certification of the department.

(10) LAW GOVERNING. The administration of this section shall be governed by the provisions of sections 49.50, 49.505, 49.51 and 49.53, so far as applicable.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective on July 1, 1945.

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CHAPTER 579.

AN ACT to amend 20.25 (1) and 39.14 (7); and to repeal and recreate 39.14 (3) of the statutes, relating to supervising teachers.

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

SECTION 1. 20.25 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.25 (1) * * * Beginning July 1, * * * 1945, * * * \$570,000 for the salaries and expenses of supervising teachers as provided in section 39.14 (6) and (7) for the biennium.

SECTION 2. 39.14 (3) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

39.14 (3) ELIGIBILITY. A supervising teacher must have