

A BILL

FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR REIMBURSING CERTAIN PATIENTS
IN THE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE AT MT. PLEASANT, IOWA.

WHEREAS, The late Dr. H. A. Gilman, in his official capacity as superintendent of the hospital for the insane at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, and at a time when by law he was not required to, and did not give a bond, did receive from and on account of patients in said hospital various sums of money, in the aggregate amounting to nearly \$5,500, and has failed to account for any part of said sum, and

WHEREAS, Claims for the same have been filed and allowed against his said estate, and

WHEREAS, The total property of said estate amounts to less than \$400 and all claims filed against said estate amount to over \$19,000, and these patients will be substantially deprived of all of said money so received, unless an appropriation is made to reimburse them; therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury, not
2 otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$5,500 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the
3 following purposes, viz:

4 To reimburse patients of said hospital for moneys taken from them by said superintendent
5 and not accounted for and for moneys received by said superintendent to the credit of patients
6 not accounted for.

Sec. 2. Said sum or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be paid out upon the
2 approval of the board of control upon satisfactory proof being produced to them that the sums
3 were actually received by said Gilman and that no part of the same has been repaid to said
4 patients. Such payment shall be made by the board to the guardian of such insane person,
5 in case he has one, to the proper legal representative of such insane person in case he be dead,
6 and in case of patients who are still remaining in the hospital any moneys which may be due
7 on their account shall be paid over to the present superintendent, who shall receipt therefor
8 and place the same to the credit of said patients, respectively, and said superintendent shall
9 be liable upon his bond for any moneys so paid over to him.

10 The moneys may be drawn from the treasury of state in a certificate made by the secre-
11 tary of the board of control and approved by said board, duly signed by its chairman, and a
12 copy of such certificate shall be furnished the auditor of state and treasurer of state and pay-

13 ment made in the same manner as bills against state institutions are now paid by the treas-
14 urer of state, as provided in chapter 118, laws of the Twenty-seventh General Assembly.

Sec. 3. In its next biennial report to the governor and the legislature said board shall
2 make a full and complete report of all payments made from this appropriation together with
3 a brief statement of the reasons therefor.

Sec. 4. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in
2 force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader, news-
3 published in the city of Des Moines, Iowa.