

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED MONEY LEFT BY DECEASED INMATES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

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

Section 1. That when an inmate of any State institution under the control of the Board of Control of State Institutions dies intestate, leaving money on deposit with the chief executive or other officer of the institution, and administration of the estate of such intestate is not granted and no surviving spouse or heirs are known to the officers of the institution or are ascertained although diligent search for them be made, the money so left shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of State at the end of one year from the death of the intestate and shall be credited to the support fund of the institution from which it was sent. A complete permanent record of the money so sent, showing by whom and with whom it was left, its amount, the date of the death of the owner, his reputed place of residence before he became an inmate of the institution, the date on which it was sent to the State Treasurer and any other facts which may tend to identify the intestate and explain the case shall be kept by the chief executive officer of the institution and a transcript thereof shall be sent to and kept by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 2. The money so sent to the Treasurer of State, or any part thereof, shall be paid at any time within ten years from the death of the intestate to any person who is shown to be entitled thereto by evidence satisfactory to the Board of Control or to the district court of the county in which the institution, from which the money was sent, is located. Payment shall be made from the State treasury out of the support fund of such institution in the manner provided for the payment of other claims from that fund.

Sec. 3. The provision of this act shall also apply to all money left by inmates of institu-

2 tions who have heretofore died intestate and which is now held by the chief executive or other
3 officer of the institutions.

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