

**230.6 Investigation by administrator.**

The administrator shall immediately investigate the legal settlement of a patient and proceed as follows:

1. If the administrator concurs with a certified determination of legal settlement concerning the patient, the administrator shall cause the patient either to be transferred to a state hospital for persons with mental illness at the expense of the state, or to be transferred, with approval of the court as required by [chapter 229](#) to the place of foreign settlement.

2. If the administrator disputes a certified legal settlement determination, the administrator shall order the patient to be maintained at a state hospital for persons with mental illness at the expense of the state until the dispute is resolved.

3. If the administrator disputes a legal settlement determination, the administrator shall utilize the procedure provided in [section 225C.8](#) to resolve the dispute. A determination of the person's legal settlement status made pursuant to [section 225C.8](#) is conclusive.

[S13, §2727-a28a; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §3586; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §230.6]

96 Acts, ch 1129, §113; 97 Acts, ch 23, §18; 2004 Acts, ch 1090, §48