

**252.24 County of settlement liable — exception.**

1. The county where the settlement is shall be liable to the county granting assistance for all reasonable charges and expenses incurred in the assistance and care of a poor person.

2. When assistance is furnished by any governmental agency of the county, township, or city, the assistance shall be deemed to have been furnished by the county in which the agency is located and the agency furnishing the assistance shall certify the correctness of the costs of the assistance to the board of supervisors of that county and that county shall collect from the county of the person's settlement. The amounts collected by the county where the agency is located shall be paid to the agency furnishing the assistance. This statute applies to services and supplies furnished as provided in [section 139A.18](#).

3. Notwithstanding [subsection 2](#), if assistance or maintenance is provided by a county through the county's mental health and disability services system implemented under [chapter 331](#), liability for the assistance and maintenance is the responsibility of the person's county of residence.

[C51, §815; R60, §1383; C73, §1358; C97, §2229; C24, 27, 31, 35, §5319; C39, §3828.096; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §252.24]

[92 Acts, ch 1212, §14](#); [2000 Acts, ch 1066, §44](#); [2012 Acts, ch 1120, §125, 130](#)