

CHAPTER 152

STATE MENTAL AID FUND

S. F. 560

AN ACT relating to state aid for the mentally ill and mentally retarded.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section two hundred twenty-seven point seventeen
 2 (227.17), Code 1971, is amended as follows:
 3 **227.17 State mental aid fund.** There is hereby created as a perma-
 4 nent fund in the office of the treasurer of state a fund to be known as
 5 the state mental aid fund, and for the purpose of establishing and
 6 maintaining said fund for each fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949, there
 7 is appropriated thereto from funds in the general fund, not otherwise
 8 appropriated, the sum of one million *seventy-five thousand* dollars.
 9 Any balance in said fund on June 30 of the second fiscal year shall
 10 revert to the general fund.

Approved June 19, 1971.

Italics indicate new material added to existing statutes; brackets indicate deletions from existing statutes. However, see Editor's note, page iii.

CHAPTER 153

COMMISSION OF HOSPITALIZATION

S. F. 155

AN ACT relating to findings of the commission of hospitalization.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section two hundred twenty-nine point nine (229.9),
 2 Code 1971, is amended as follows:
 3 **229.9 Findings and order—screening center.** If the commission
 4 finds from the evidence that [said person is mentally ill and a fit
 5 subject for custody and treatment in the state hospital] *it would be*
 6 *in the best interests of the person to be examined at a state mental*
 7 *health institute*, it shall order [first] his observation and treatment
 8 at the screening center located at the hospital in the district nearest
 9 to the county in which the hearing is conducted. *No finding that the*
 10 *person is mentally ill* and no order of commitment shall issue [until]
 11 *unless* the superintendent of the hospital at which said screening
 12 center is located [shall find and recommend that such order should be
 13 issued and, in the event that such] *so recommends. If a recommen-*
 14 *dation of commitment is made, the commission [shall order] may*
 15 *order upon hearing pursuant to sections 229.2, 229.3, 229.4 and 229.5*
 16 [his] *the person's* commitment to the hospital in the district in which
 17 the county is situated or upon authorization by the county board of
 18 supervisors, the commission may order commitment and treatment
 19 to a local hospital instead of a state hospital; and in connection with
 20 such finding and order shall determine and enter of record the county
 21 which is the legal settlement of such person. If such settlement is
 22 unknown the record shall show such fact.
 23 No person shall be ordered [committed or delivered] to a state
 24 hospital *for observation and treatment* until the commission has first