

CHAPTER 31.

[House Bill No. 702.]

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE—ELIGIBILITY.

AN ACT relating to public assistance; and amending section 74.08.025, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and RCW 74.08.025.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 74.08.025, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and RCW 74.08.025 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 74.08.025 amended.

Public assistance shall be awarded to any applicant:

Public assistance—General eligibility.

- (1) Who is in need; and
- (2) Who has not made a voluntary assignment of property or cash for the purpose of qualifying for an assistance grant; and
- (3) Who is not an inmate of a public institution except as a patient in a medical institution and who is not a patient under sixty-five years of age in an institution for mental disease and who is not a patient in a medical institution because of a diagnosis of psychosis: *Provided*, That the assistance paid by the department to recipients in nursing homes, or receiving nursing home care, may cover the cost of clothing and incidentals and general maintenance exclusive of medical care and health services. The department may pay a grant to cover the cost of clothing and personal incidentals in public or private medical institutions and institutions for tuberculosis.

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Passed the Senate March 30, 1967.

Approved by the Governor April 7, 1967.