

erty within one year from the date of such sale for commercial or industrial purposes, or if improvements to said property are necessary to adapt it to such use then to commence work upon such improvements within one year from the date of such sale and thereafter to diligently proceed with the completion thereof and to devote said property to such use. Any violation of this section shall be a gross misdemeanor punishable under the laws of the State of Washington relating thereto.

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CHAPTER 46.

[S. B. 114.]

HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT OF BUERGERS DISEASE.

AN ACT relating to state government and state institutions providing for the establishment and operation of a public institution for the treatment and care of persons afflicted with Buergers disease and for experimental and scientific study of such disease and the medicinal and curative properties of the waters of Soap Lake, making an appropriation, and declaring this act shall take effect immediately.

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

Definitions.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of this act (a) the term "department" means the Department of Finance, Budget and Business of the State of Washington, (b) the term "institution" means the McKay memorial research hospital, (c) the term "director" means the Director of Finance, Budget and Business, and (d) the term "superintendent" means the superintendent of the McKay memorial research hospital.

Hospital
established.

SEC. 2. A public institution is hereby established at Soap Lake, Washington, to be known as the McKay memorial research hospital, for the treatment and care of persons afflicted with Buergers disease,

and for experimental and scientific study of such disease and the medicinal and curative properties of the waters of Soap Lake.

SEC. 3. The said institution shall be under the management, control and direction of the department of finance, budget and business, the same as other state institutions and in all respects subject to the law creating said department and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto. Control.

SEC. 4. The facilities of said institution shall be available, first, to bona fide residents of the State of Washington, and thereafter to the extent that facilities may be available and adequate to residents of other states and territories on such terms and under such rules and regulations as in this act provided for. Facilities available.

SEC. 5. Admission for treatment and care shall be made in accordance with form prescribed and in compliance with rules and regulations adopted by the department. Form for admission.

SEC. 6. Patients admitted for treatment and hospitalization shall pay to the department the cost of treatment and service as determined by the department, which sum shall be payable weekly or monthly as provided under rules and regulations adopted by the department. In determining such cost, the director shall include all salaries, wages and other current operating charges including replacements and additions to equipment and routine maintenance of plant and facilities: *Provided*, The director may, and he is authorized to, adopt temporary fee schedules to be effective during the biennial period ending March 31, 1941, as follows: Patients admitted for treatment and hospitalization shall pay a fee for such service not exceeding \$25.00 per week and patients admitted for treatment only shall pay a fee not exceeding \$12.00 per week: *Provided*, That no Cost of treatment.

Fee schedule.

Veterans. charges shall be made to a veteran or wife or widow of a veteran who was a citizen and resident of the state prior to 1935.

Voluntary financial aid for patients.

SEC. 7. The United States or any of its agencies, the State of Washington or any department or legal subdivision thereof, any other state or territory or legal subdivision thereof, or any person, corporation, association or voluntary association which may wish to provide for the care of persons afflicted with Buerger's disease in the institution and pay the cost of treatment and care as in this act provided may do so under such terms, rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the director, and the department is hereby empowered to enter into appropriate contracts on behalf of the State of Washington for such services.

Superintendent.

SEC. 8. The director shall appoint a superintendent who shall have immediate charge, supervision and control of the institution and patients admitted thereto, subject to such rules and regulations as shall be approved by the department. The superintendent shall be a qualified, practicing physician. He shall give bond to the state in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the faithful performance of his duties. The superintendent may appoint such technical staff and other officers and employees as shall be necessary for the proper and efficient carrying into effect the aims and purposes of the institution. The superintendent shall hold his office for such time as the director may deem wise and for the efficiency and economy of the institution. He shall have entire control of the medical and dietetic treatment of the patients. The director shall fix the salaries of the superintendent and subordinate officers and employees.

Deposition.

SEC. 9. The superintendent shall not be required to attend any court as a witness in a civil suit. Parties desiring his testimony may take and use his

deposition; nor shall he be required to attend as a witness in any criminal case unless the judge of the court before which testimony shall be desired shall, upon being satisfied of the materiality of his testimony, require his attendance and he and all other persons employed at the institution shall be exempt from serving on juries, and the certificate of the superintendent shall be prima facie evidence of such employment.

Not required to act as witness or juror.

SEC. 10. With the approval of the Governor, the director is authorized to accept and receive, on behalf of the State of Washington, from any person, association or corporation contributions of every kind and description to be used for research or other purposes, and to enter into cooperative scientific studies and experiments with any governmental agency, corporation, association, or individual in furthering the aims and purposes of the institution under such restrictions as may be imposed not in conflict with the laws governing public institutions and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

Contributions received.

SEC. 11. All fees paid to the department for treatment and care in said institution shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general fund as provided by law.

Fees.

SEC. 12. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act for the period ending March 31, 1941, there is hereby appropriated from the general fund in the state treasury for salaries, wages and operations the sum of \$102,600.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Appropriation.

SEC. 13. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety and shall take effect immediately.

Effective immediately.

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