

(g) accumulated leave under this proviso shall be transferred from one district to another;

(h) leave accumulated by a person in a district prior to leaving said district may, under rules and regulations of the board, be granted to such person when he returns to the employment of the district.

**NOTE:** See also section 1, chapter 12, Laws of 1967.

Sec. 2. The following acts and parts of acts are Repeal.  
each repealed:

(1) Sections 1 through 8, pages 316 through 319, Laws of 1909;

(2) Section 1, chapter 79, Laws of 1929; and

(3) RCW 28.23.005 through 28.23.050.

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Passed the Senate March 31, 1967.

Approved by the Governor April 7, 1967.

## CHAPTER 30.

[Engrossed House Bill No. 701.]

### PUBLIC ASSISTANCE—MEDICAL CARE AND ASSISTANCE.

AN ACT relating to public assistance; amending section 74.09.120, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and RCW 74.09.120; adding new sections to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to chapter 74.09 RCW; and repealing section 74.09.090, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 1, chapter 36, Laws of 1965 extraordinary session, sections 1, 2, 3 and 5, chapter 211, Laws of 1963, section 4, chapter 211, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 2, chapter 36, Laws of 1965 extraordinary session, and RCW 74.09.090, 74.09.400, 74.09.410, 74.09.420, 74.09.430 and 74.09.440.

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

Section 1. Section 74.09.120, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and RCW 74.09.120 are each amended to read as follows: RCW 74.09.120 amended.

Public assistance. Medical care and assistance. Purchases of services, care, supplies.

The department shall purchase necessary physician and dentist services by contract or "fee for service." The department shall purchase hospital care by contract or by all inclusive day rate, or at a reasonable cost based on a ratio of charges to cost. Any hospital when requested by the department shall supply such information as necessary to justify its rate, charges or costs. All additional services provided by the hospital shall be purchased at rates established by the department after consultation with the hospital. The department shall purchase nursing home care by contract or at not more than the minimum ward rate of each nursing home or infirmary. Any nursing home or infirmary when requested by the department shall supply such information as necessary to justify this rate. All additional services provided by the nursing home or infirmary shall be purchased at rates established by the department after consultation with the nursing home or infirmary.

All other services and supplies provided under the program shall be secured by contract.

New section.

Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to chapter 74.09 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Division of medical care—Duties.

The division of medical care shall provide (a) for evaluation of employability when a person is applying for public assistance representing a medical condition as a basis for need, and (b) for medical reports to be used in the evaluation of total and permanent disability. It shall further provide for medical consultation and assistance in determining the need for special diets, housekeeper and attendant services, and other requirements as found necessary because of the medical condition under the rules promulgated by the director after considering the recommendation thereon by the medical care advisory committee.

Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to chapter 74.09 RCW a new section to read as follows: New section.

There is hereby established a new program of federal-aid assistance to be known as medical assistance to be administered by the state department of public assistance. The department of public assistance is authorized to comply with the federal requirements for the medical assistance program provided in the Social Security Act and particularly Title XIX of Public Law (89-97) in order to secure federal matching funds for such program. Federal-aid administered by department.

Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to chapter 74.09 RCW a new section to read as follows: New section.

Medical assistance may be provided in accordance with eligibility requirements established by the department of public assistance to an applicant: (1) Who is in need; (2) who has not made a voluntary assignment of property or cash for the purpose of qualifying for an assistance grant; (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 the age of sixty-five years in an institution for mental disease or tuberculosis and who is not a patient in a medical institution because of the diagnosis of psychosis or tuberculosis; and (4) who is a resident of the state of Washington. Eligibility requirements.

Sec. 5. There is added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to chapter 74.09 RCW a new section to read as follows: New section.

The term "medical assistance" may include the following care and services: (1) Inpatient hospital services; (2) outpatient hospital services; (3) other laboratory and x-ray services; (4) skilled nursing home services; (5) physicians' services; (6) medical care, or any other type of remedial care as may be "Medical assistance" defined.

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established by the director; (7) home health care services; (8) private duty nursing services; (9) dental services; (10) physical therapy and related services; (11) prescribed drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices; and eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or by an optometrist, whichever the individual may select; (12) other diagnostic, screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services.

New section.

Sec. 6. There is added to chapter 26, Laws of 1959 and to chapter 74.09 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Amount of  
assistance—  
Determination.

The amount and nature of medical assistance and the determination of eligibility of recipients for medical assistance shall be the responsibility of the department of public assistance. The department shall establish reasonable standards of assistance and resource and income exemptions which shall be consistent with the provisions of the Social Security Act and with the regulations of the secretary of health, education and welfare for determining eligibility of individuals for medical assistance and the extent of such assistance to the extent that funds are available from the state and federal government.

Repeal.

Sec. 7. Section 74.09.090, chapter 26, Laws of 1959 as amended by section 1, chapter 36, Laws of 1965 extraordinary session, sections 1, 2, 3 and 5, chapter 211, Laws of 1963, section 4, chapter 211, Laws of 1963 as amended by section 2, chapter 36, Laws of 1965 extraordinary session, and RCW 74.09.090, 74.09.400, 74.09.410, 74.09.420, 74.09.430 and 74.09.440 are each repealed.

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