

from such school district because they comprise a part of or are located on a major airport, such district shall receive annually an allocation from the proceeds of income taxes in the amount that would be produced by a tax on such detached properties at the current tax rate for school purposes in the school district.

Subd. 2. Valuation of properties. For the purposes of determining the amount of this refund, the value of such properties shall be set at 30 percent of their full and true value except that in no case shall the assessed value of said properties for this purpose exceed such an amount as when added to the assessed value of all other property in the school district exceed \$2,600 per resident pupil unit.

Subd. 3. Amounts of state aids, determination. In the determination of the amounts to which the school districts shall be entitled in the distribution of any state aids that are based upon total valuation per pupil this valuation shall be included.

Subd. 4. Limitation of allocation. In no case shall the amount so allotted in any year exceed 20 percent of the amount levied in the district for school purposes.

Approved April 24, 1953.

CHAPTER 723—S. F. No. 1709

An act relating to mental health, providing for provisional commitments for the mentally ill, amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 525.753, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 525.753, Subdivision 1, is hereby amended to read:

525.753 Commitment. Subdivision 1. Details. If the patient is found to be mentally ill, senile, or inebriate, *the court shall make a finding that commitment to an institution for the care of mentally ill, senile, or inebriate persons is necessary for the welfare and protection of the patient or society. Each commitment to a public institution shall be for a period of not more than 60 days. At the end of such 60 day period, the chief medical officer of the institution shall be required to file a certificate with the committing court and a copy with the director of public institutions setting forth the condition of the patient, his diagnosis and his findings as to whether or not*

the patient is in need of further institutional care and treatment. Upon filing such finding, the patient shall (1) be returned to the committing court by the institution and the guardianship of the director of public institutions discharged, if the patient is found not to be in further need of institutional care and treatment; or (2) remain under commitment and subject to all the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to such institutions. The court shall issue to the sheriff, or any other person, a warrant, in duplicate, committing the patient to the custody of the superintendent of the proper state hospital, or to the superintendent or keeper of any private licensed institution for the care of mentally ill, senile, or inebriate persons. Patients committed to private institutions are required to pay the necessary hospital charge in such private institution. If the patient is entitled to care by the veterans administration or other agency of the United States in this state, the warrant shall be in triplicate, committing the patient to the joint custody of the superintendents of the proper state institutions and veterans administration or other federal agency. If the veterans administration or other federal institution is unable or unwilling to receive such patient at the time of commitment, he subsequently may be transferred to it upon its request. Such transfer shall discharge the commitment of such patient to the state institution and constitute a sole commitment to the veterans administration or other federal institution.

Upon commitment, such person when admitted to the veterans administration or other federal institution within or without this state shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the veterans administration or other federal agency.

The chief officer of any facility of the veterans administration or institution operated by any other agency of the United States to which the person is so committed shall with respect to such person be vested with the same powers as superintendents of state hospitals for mental diseases within this state with respect to retention of custody, transfer, parole, or discharge.

The judgment or order of commitment by a court of competent jurisdiction of another state or the District of Columbia, committing a person to the veterans administration, or other agency of the United States government for care or treatment shall have the same force and effect as to the committed person while in this state as in the jurisdiction in which is situated the court entering the judgment or making the order. Consent is hereby given to the application of the law of the committing state or district in respect to the authority of the chief officer of any facility of the veterans administration, or of any in-

stitution operated in this state by any other agency of the United States to retain custody, or transfer, parole, or discharge the committed person.

Upon receipt of a certificate of the veterans administration or such other agency of the United States that facilities are available for the care or treatment of any person heretofore committed to any hospital for the insane or other institution for the care or treatment of persons similarly afflicted and that such person is eligible for care or treatment, the superintendent of the institution may cause the transfer of such person to the veterans administration or other agency of the United States for care or treatment. Upon effecting such transfer, the committing court or proper officer thereof shall be notified thereof by the transferring agency. No person shall be transferred to the veterans administration or other agency of the United States if he be confined pursuant to conviction of any felony or misdemeanor if he has been acquitted of the charge solely on the ground of insanity, unless prior to transfer the court or other authority originally committing such person shall enter an order for such transfer after appropriate motion and hearing.

Any person transferred as provided in this section shall be deemed to be committed to the veterans administration or other agency of the United States pursuant to the original commitment.

Approved April 24, 1953.

CHAPTER 724—S. F. No. 1711

An act relating to public institutions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.013, by adding a new subdivision thereto.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.013, is hereby amended to read :

246.013 Mentally ill; care, treatment, examination. Within the limits of the appropriations for the division of public institutions, the director of public institutions is directed, in the performance of the duties imposed upon him by the laws of this state, to bring to the measure prescribed by section 246.012, the care and treatment of the mentally ill as speedily as is possible, and to thereafter, subject to the paramount authority of the Legislature with respect to appropria-