

CHAPTER 76

[Senate Bill No. 2025]

STATE INSTITUTIONS--DECEASED RESIDENTS'
ASSETS--DISBURSEMENT AUTHORITY

AN ACT Relating to the property and money of deceased inmates of state institutions; and amending section 11.08.111, chapter 145, Laws of 1965 and RCW 11.08.111.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Section 1. Section 11.08.111, chapter 145, Laws of 1965 and RCW 11.08.111 are each amended to read as follows:

Prior to the expiration of the ~~((above))~~ two-year period provided for in RCW 11.08.101, the superintendent may transfer such money or property in his possession, upon request and satisfactory proof submitted to him, to the following designated persons:

(1) To the personal representative of the estate of such deceased inmate; or

(2) To the next of kin of the decedent, where such money and property does not exceed the value of ~~((five hundred))~~ one thousand dollars, and the person or persons requesting same shall have furnished an affidavit as to his or her being next of kin; or

(3) In the case of money, to the person who may have deposited such money with the superintendent for the use of the decedent, where the sum involved does not exceed ~~((five hundred))~~ one thousand dollars; or

(4) To the department ~~((of institutions))~~ of social and health services, when there are moneys due and owing from such deceased person's estate for the cost of his care and maintenance at ~~((such))~~ a state institution: PROVIDED, That transfer of such money or property may be made to the person first qualifying under this section and such transfer shall exonerate the superintendent from further responsibility relative to such money or property: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That upon satisfactory showing the funeral expenses of such decedent are unpaid, the superintendent may pay up to ~~((three hundred))~~ one thousand dollars from said deceased inmate's funds on said obligation.

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