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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 36-202, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 36,
CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 36-220;
RELATING TO THE ARIZONA STATE HOSPITAL.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 36-202, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 36-202. Arizona state hospital; purpose; facilities and
5 equipment

6 A. A state hospital shall be maintained for the care and treatment
7 of persons with mental disorders and persons with other personality
8 disorders or emotional conditions who will benefit from care and
9 treatment. Admissions to the state hospital shall be in accordance with
10 law. The STATE hospital shall be called the Arizona state hospital.

11 B. Subject to legislative appropriation, the state hospital may
12 provide services to persons suffering from alcoholism and to persons
13 suffering from drug abuse.

14 C. The state hospital shall have adequate facilities and equipment
15 for enlightened and scientific treatment of nervous and mental diseases in
16 accordance with approved methods of mental therapeutics. The facilities
17 shall include, among other things:

- 18 1. Facilities for medical and psychiatric treatment with special
19 attention to occupational therapy and other special therapies.
- 20 2. Facilities for proper segregation and care of child patients.
- 21 3. Facilities for recreation and physical training.
- 22 4. An institutional library for the use of patients.
- 23 5. A properly equipped dental department.
- 24 6. A properly equipped laboratory and x-ray department.
- 25 7. A patient tracking system approved by the director that monitors
26 individual progress on an inpatient basis and ensures suitable aftercare
27 placement.

28 8. A CIVIL REINTEGRATION UNIT THAT FUNCTIONS AS A TRANSITIONAL UNIT
29 FOR CIVIL PATIENTS WHO ARE APPROACHING DISCHARGE OR BEING DISCHARGED FROM
30 THE STATE HOSPITAL.

31 D. The state hospital shall be under the charge and control of the
32 director of the department of health services, pursuant to this article.

33 Sec. 2. Title 36, chapter 2, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
34 is amended by adding section 36-220, to read:

35 36-220. Civil reintegration unit; services

36 A. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH A SIXTEEN-BED CIVIL REINTEGRATION
37 UNIT LOCATED ON THE STATE HOSPITAL CAMPUS TO FUNCTION AS A TRANSITIONAL
38 UNIT FOR CIVIL PATIENTS WHO ARE APPROACHING DISCHARGE OR BEING DISCHARGED
39 FROM THE STATE HOSPITAL. THE CIVIL REINTEGRATION UNIT SHALL PROVIDE
40 STRUCTURED RESIDENTIAL LIVING AND ALLOW FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TREATMENT
41 PLANS THAT CAN BE TESTED AND ADJUSTED IN THE APPROXIMATE COMMUNITY
42 SETTING. THE CIVIL REINTEGRATION UNIT'S SERVICES SHALL INCLUDE INTEGRATED
43 CARE PRINCIPLES OF PHYSICAL HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH AND

1 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT. THE CIVIL REINTEGRATION UNIT SHALL
2 INCLUDE A SHADED OUTDOOR GREEN SPACE FOR INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP THERAPY
3 SESSIONS IN A NONINSTITUTIONAL ENVIRONMENT.
4 B. THE CIVIL REINTEGRATION UNIT SHALL BE LICENSED AND REGULATED AS
5 PART OF THE STATE HOSPITAL.