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**WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE - WIC**

**DIVISION 6. ADMISSIONS AND JUDICIAL COMMITMENTS [6000 - 6825]** ( *Division 6 repealed and added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1667.* )

**PART 2. JUDICIAL COMMITMENTS [6250 - 6825]** ( *Part 2 added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1667.* )

**CHAPTER 3. Expense of Detention or Proceedings Concerning Commitments [6715 - 6717]** ( *Chapter 3 added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1667.* )

**ARTICLE 4. Persons with Intellectual Disabilities [6715 - 6717]** ( *Heading of Article 4 amended by Stats. 2012, Ch. 457, Sec. 59.* )

**6715.** The court shall inquire into the financial condition of the parent, guardian, or other person charged with the support of a person committed as having an intellectual disability, and if it finds the person able to do so, in whole or in part, it shall make a further order, requiring him or her to pay, to the extent the court considers the person able, the expenses of the proceedings in connection with the investigation, detention, and commitment of the person committed, and the expenses of the committed person's delivery to the institution, and to pay to the county, at stated periods, the sums the court deems proper, during the time the person remains in the institution or on leave of absence to a licensed hospital, facility, or home for the care of those persons. This order may be enforced by further orders as the court deems necessary, and may be varied, altered, or revoked in its discretion.

The court shall designate a county officer to keep a record of payments ordered to be made, to receive, receipt for, and record the payments made, to pay over the payments to the county treasurer, to see that the persons ordered to make the payments comply with the orders, and to report to the court any failure to make the payments.

(Amended by Stats. 2012, Ch. 457, Sec. 60. (SB 1381) Effective January 1, 2013.)

**6716.** In any case in which the probation officer is charged with the duty of collecting amounts payable to the county under this article, upon the verified application of the probation officer the board of supervisors may make an order discharging the probation officer from further accountability for the collection of any such amount in any case as to which the board determines that the amount is too small to justify the cost of collection; that the statute of limitations has run; or that the collection of such amount is improbable for any reason. Such order is authorization for the probation officer to close his books in regard to such item, but such discharge of accountability of the probation officer does not constitute a release of any person from liability for payment of any such amount which is due and owing to the county. The board may request a written opinion from the district attorney or county counsel as to whether any particular amount is too small to justify the cost of collection, whether the statute of limitations has run, or whether collection of any particular item is improbable.

(Added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1667.)

**6717.** The cost necessarily incurred in determining whether a person is a fit subject for commitment and securing his or her commitment, is a charge upon the county where he or she is committed. These costs include the fees of witnesses, medical examiners, psychiatrists, and psychologists allowed by the judge ordering the examination. If the person sought to be committed is not an indigent person, the costs of the proceedings are the obligation of that person and shall be paid by him or her, or by his or her guardian or conservator, as provided in Division 4 (commencing with Section 1400) of the Probate Code, or shall be paid by persons legally liable for his or her maintenance, unless otherwise ordered by the judge.

(Amended by Stats. 2012, Ch. 457, Sec. 61. (SB 1381) Effective January 1, 2013.)