

**MENTAL HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 258 of 1974**

\*\*\*\*\* 330.1420 THIS SECTION IS AMENDED EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 14, 2017: See 330.1420.amended  
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**330.1420 Continuing hospitalization where notice of termination not withdrawn; application to court; clinical certificates; hearings.**

Sec. 420. If a written notice of termination of hospitalization is given to a hospital under section 419, if the notice is not withdrawn, and if the hospital director determines that the patient is a person requiring treatment as defined in section 401 and should remain in the hospital, the hospital director or other suitable person shall within 3 days, excluding Sundays and holidays, after the hospital's receipt of the notice, file an application with the court that complies with section 423. The application shall be accompanied by 1 clinical certificate executed by a psychiatrist and 1 clinical certificate executed by either a physician or a licensed psychologist. If an application is filed, the hospital may continue hospitalization of the patient pending hearings convened pursuant to sections 451 to 465.

**History:** 1974, Act 258, Eff. Nov. 6, 1974;—Am. 1982, Act 402, Imd. Eff. Dec. 28, 1982;—Am. 1995, Act 290, Eff. Mar. 28, 1996.