

Article 7A.

Damage of Personal Property in State Institutions.

§ 143-127.2. Repair or replacement of personal property.

The Secretary of Health and Human Services may adopt rules governing repair or replacement of personal property items excluding private passenger vehicles that belong to employees, volunteers, or clients of State facilities within the Department of Health and Human Services and that are damaged or stolen by clients of the State facilities provided that the item is determined by the Secretary to be:

- (1) Damaged or stolen on or off facility grounds during the performance of employment or volunteer duty and necessary for the employee or volunteer to have in his possession to perform his assigned duty; or
- (2) Damaged or stolen on or off the facility grounds while the client is under the supervision of the facility and necessary for the client to have in his possession as part of his treatment environment. (1985, c. 393, s. 1; 1987, c. 264, s. 4; 1989, c. 189, s. 1; 1997-443, s. 11A.118(a).)

§ 143-127.3. Negligence.

Reimbursement for items damaged or stolen shall not be granted in instances in which the employee, volunteer, or client, if competent, is determined to be negligent or otherwise at fault for the damage or loss of the property. Negligence shall be determined by the director of the facility. (1985, c. 393, s. 1; 1987, c. 264, s. 4; 1989, c. 189, s. 1.)

§ 143-127.4. Other remedies.

The director of the facility shall determine if the person seeking reimbursement has made a good faith effort to recover the loss from all other non-State sources and has failed before reimbursement is granted. (1985, c. 393, s. 1; 1987, c. 264, s. 4; 1989, c. 189, s. 1.)

§ 143-127.5. Limitations.

Reimbursement shall be limited to the amount specified in the rules and shall not exceed a maximum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per incident. No employee, volunteer, or client shall receive more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per year in reimbursement. Reimbursement is subject to the availability of funds. (1985, c. 393, s. 1; 1987, c. 264, s. 1; 1989, c. 189, s. 1.)

§ 143-127.6. Administrative and judicial review.

Chapter 150B of the General Statutes governs administrative and judicial review of a decision under this Article by the director of a facility. (1985, c. 393, s. 1; 1987, c. 264, ss. 2, 4, c. 827, s. 257; 1989, c. 189, s. 1.)