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GERALD C. MANN  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

Hon. B. T. Walters  
County Auditor  
Smith County  
Tyler, Texas

Dear Sir:

Opinion No. 0-1617  
Re: Does Art. 6228 authorize the  
commissioners' court to refuse  
arbitrarily all applications  
for Mothers' Aid regardless of  
the merit of same?  
Construction of the word "pauper"  
in Art. 2351.

This Department has received and considered  
your request for opinion upon the above stated questions.

Opinion No. 0-1500 of this Department, written  
by Hon. Wm. J. R. King, Assistant Attorney General,  
addressed to Hon. Fred Brisman, Criminal District Attor-  
ney, Gregg County, Longview, Texas, passes upon the above  
stated question. We enclose herewith a copy of Opinion  
No. 0-1500.

Article 6228, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas,  
known as the "Mothers' Aid Law", is a permissive statute  
and is not a mandatory statute. The action of the com-  
missioners' court in passing upon application is made  
final by this statute. The commissioners' court's action  
thereunder is not subject to review.

Opinion No. 0-1500 also defines the term "pauper".

Trusting that this satisfactorily answers your  
inquiry, and with best regards, we are

Very truly yours

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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COMMITTEE  
BY *AWT*  
CHAIRMAN