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**CHAPTER 423**

AN ACT to amend 29.05 (1), (2) and (7) of the statutes, relating to police powers and searches and seizures of the state conservation commission and its deputies.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

29.05 (1), (2) and (7) of the statutes are amended to read:

29.05 (1) The state conservation commission and its deputies are hereby authorized to execute and serve all warrants and processes issued by any justice of the peace or police magistrate or by any court having

jurisdiction under any law relating to wild animals *and ss. 340.605, 340.607 and 351.59*, in the same manner as any constable may serve and execute such process; and to arrest, with or without a warrant, any person detected in the actual violation, or whom such officer has reasonable cause to believe guilty of the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter *and ss. 340.605, 340.607 and 351.59*, and to take such person before any court in the county where the offense was committed and make proper complaint.

(2) Such officers shall, upon receiving notice or information that any provision of this chapter *or of ss. 340.605, 340.607 or 351.59* has been violated, as soon as possible make a thorough investigation thereof, and cause proceedings to be instituted if the proofs at hand warrant it.

(7) They shall seize and hold subject to the order of the court or judge located in the county in which the alleged offense was committed, any apparatus, appliance, or any vehicle or device, declared by any provision of this chapter to be a public nuisance, or which they shall have reason to believe is being used in violation of this chapter *or ss. 340.605 or 340.607*, and if it be proven that the same is, or has been within 6 months previous to such seizure, used in violation of this chapter *or ss. 340.605 or 340.607*, the same shall be confiscated if the court shall so direct in its order for judgment. Any seizure of perishable property made by the conservation commission or its wardens may be sold at the highest available price, and the proceeds of such sale turned into court to await disposition of such proceeds as the court may direct. It \* \* \* *is* lawful for any conservation warden or other ministerial officers charged with the enforcement of the laws dealing with the conservation of the natural resources of the state, to destroy any dog found running, worrying, or killing any deer, or destroying game birds, their eggs or nests, wherein they deem it advisable and necessary.

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