1989 Assembly Bill 469

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1989 WISCONSIN ACT 223

AN ACT *to amend* 951.18 (1); and *to create* 951.01 (3m) of the statutes, **relating to:** crimes against animals used by law enforcement agencies and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. 951.01 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:

951.01 (3m) "Law enforcement agency" has the meaning given in s. 165.83 (1) (b).

SECTION 2. 951.18 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

951.18 (1) Any person violating s. 951.02, 951.025, 951.03, 951.04, 951.05, 951.06, 951.07, 951.09, 951.10, 951.11, 951.13, 951.14 or 951.15 (1) is subject to a Class C forfeiture. Any person who intentionally or negli-

gently violates any of those sections is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. Any person who intentionally violates s. 951.02, resulting in the mutilation, disfigurement or death of an animal, is guilty of a Class E felony. Any person who intentionally violates s. 951.02 or 951.06, knowing that the animal that is the victim is used by a law enforcement agency to perform agency functions or duties and causing injury to the animal, is guilty of a Class E felony.

SECTION 3. Effective date. This act takes effect on July 1, 1989, or the day after publication, whichever is later.