

1987 Assembly Bill 242

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1987 Wisconsin Act 155

AN ACT to amend 805.07 (4) (a), 885.02 (1) and 885.11 (3) of the statutes, relating to witnesses who fail to appear in court and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. 805.07 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

805.07 (4) (a) The subpoena shall be in the following form:

SUBPOENA

STATE OF WISCONSIN

.... County

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To

Pursuant to section 805.07 of the Wisconsin Statutes, you are hereby commanded to appear in person before [.... designating the court, officer, or person and place of appearance], on [.... date] at o'clock ...M., to give evidence in an action between, plaintiff, and, defendant. [Insert clause requiring the production of material, if appropriate]. Failure to appear may result in punishment for contempt which may include monetary penalties, imprisonment and other sanctions. Issued this day of, 19...

[Handwritten Signature]
Attorney for [identify party]
(or other official title)
[Address]
[Telephone Number]

SECTION 2. 885.02 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

885.02 (1) The subpoena may be in the following form:

SUBPOENA-

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

.... County-

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To

You are hereby required to appear before (designating the court, officer or person and place of appearance), on the day of, at o'clock in the noon of that day, to give evidence in a certain cause then and there to be tried between, plaintiff, and, defendant, on the part of the(or to give evidence in the matter [state sufficient to identify the matter or proceeding in which the evidence is to be given] then and there to be heard, on the part of). Failure to appear may result in punishment for contempt which may include monetary penalties, imprisonment and other sanctions.

Given under my hand this day of, 19...

....(Give official title)

SECTION 3. 885.11 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

885.11 (3) PUNISHMENT IN COURTS. Inexcusable failure to attend any court of record ~~shall be~~ is a contempt of the court, punishable by a fine not exceeding \$20 ~~\$200~~.