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

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This draft, prepared for the joint legislative council's special committee on conservation laws enforcement, establishes a direct line authority for the chief conservation warden over regional conservation wardens, conservation warden supervisors and conservation wardens.

Currently, s. 23.10, stats., provides that the department of natural resources (DNR) shall secure the enforcement of laws which it is required to administer and specifies that the persons who are to enforce those laws are known as conservation wardens. There are no statutory provisions relating to supervision of conservation wardens.

Under this draft, the DNR is required to designate a conservation warden as the chief warden and is permitted to designate one or more deputy chief wardens.

The chief warden is required to direct, supervise and control conservation wardens in the performance of their statutorily required duties. Further, the chief warden is required to designate a person as an internal affairs officer to investigate complaints against conservation wardens when an investigation is determined by the chief warden to be necessary and to designate a complaint officer who will intervene and work with citizens to resolve complaints against conservation wardens or involving conservation wardens.

The line of authority created by this draft for the chief warden is subject to the direction and supervision of the DNR secretary, deputy secretary and division administrators to whom the chief warden is responsible.

3 **SECTION 1.** 23.10 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

4 23.10 (**1m**) The department of natural resources shall designate a conservation warden
5 as the chief warden and may designate one or more deputy chief wardens. The chief warden
6 shall have the duty to direct, supervise and control conservation wardens in the performance

1 of their duties under ss. 23.10 (1) and 29.921. The chief warden shall designate an internal
2 affairs officer to investigate complaints against conservation wardens when the chief warden
3 determines an investigation is necessary and shall designate a complaint officer to resolve
4 complaints against conservation wardens.

5 (END)



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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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officer and complaint officer
within the department of natural
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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau
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