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CHAPTER 149.

AN ACT to compel persons to testify in prosecutions brought under sections 4352 and 4583 of the statutes of 1898; and to grant immunity to such persons so compelled to testify.

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

Witnesses compelled to testify; immunity to such witnesses.

SECTION 1. No person shall be excused or privileged from testifying fully under oath in any prosecution brought under the provisions of sections 4352 or 4583 of the statutes of 1898 or for any of the causes mentioned in either of said sections when so ordered to testify by a court of record or any judge thereof; but no person shall be prosecuted or subjected to any penalty or forfeiture for or on account of any transaction, matter or thing concerning which such person may so testify or produce evidence, except for perjury committed in giving such testimony.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 150.

AN ACT to amend section 2666, statutes of 1898, relating to the verification of pleadings.

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

Form of verification. SECTION 1. Section 2666 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended to read as follows: Section

2666. The verification must be to the effect that the same is true to the knowledge of the person making it, except as to those matters stated on information and belief and as to those matters that he believes it to be true, and must be by the affidavit of the party, or if there be several parties united in interest and pleading together, by one at least of such parties acquainted with the facts, if such party be within the county where the attorney resides and capable of making the affidavit. The affidavit may be made by *an agent or attorney if no such party be within the county where the attorney resides*, or if the action or defense be founded upon a written instrument in such attorney's possession, or if all the material allegations of the pleading be within his personal knowledge or belief. When the pleading is verified by any other person *or party* he shall set forth in the affidavit his knowledge or the grounds of his belief on the subject and the reason why it is not made by the party, and if made on knowledge shall state that the pleading is true to his knowledge, and if on his belief, that he believes it to be true. When a corporation is a party the verification may be made by any officer thereof. *In actions wherein the state or any officer thereof in his official capacity is a party, verification of pleadings shall not be required by either the state or anyone in its behalf or by any such officer, but all pleadings made by other parties in actions wherein the state or any such officer is a party shall be verified as provided in this section. In all actions wherein the state is the sole party plaintiff and an unverified answer shall be interposed and the demand of the complaint is for money judgment, judgment may be taken by default with the same force and effect and in the same manner as though the complaint were duly verified.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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