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### CHAPTER 481

AN ACT to amend 52.25 of the statutes, as renumbered and amended by chapter 31, laws of 1953 relating to authority of district attorney to issue warrants on illegitimacy complaints.

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

52.25 of the statutes, as renumbered and amended by chapter 31, laws of 1953 is amended to read:

52.25 On complaint made to any justice of the peace *or district attorney* by any woman who has borne an illegitimate child or who is pregnant with a child which, when born, may be illegitimate, accusing a named person of being the father of such child, the justice *or district attorney* shall take such complaint in writing, under oath of such woman, and shall thereupon issue his warrant, *returnable before such justice or, if issued by a district attorney, before a magistrate of the county*, directed to the sheriff or any constable of his county, commanding him forthwith to bring such accused person before the justice *or magistrate before whom the warrant is returnable* to answer such complaint. *The district attorney shall forthwith deliver any complaint filed with him to the magistrate before whom the warrant is returnable.* With the consent of the complainant, a summons may be issued as provided in s. 354.02. No such warrant or summons shall be issued and no action for the establishment of paternity shall be commenced after the expiration of 5 years from the date of the birth of such child, except in cases where the parties thereto enter into an agreement for the support of such child in accordance with s. 52.28.

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