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CHAPTER 353.

AN ACT to protect children and to provide for their removal from the custody of their parents or guardian in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever proper affidavit shall be made before any county or municipal judge in any county in the state of Wisconsin, that the physical or moral welfare of any child in such county is seriously endangered by the neglect, abuse, or the vicious or immoral habits or associations of its parents or parent, guardian, or by any person having the custody of such child, or that the physical or moral welfare of any such child is seriously endangered by the inability, refusal or neglect of such parents, parent or guardian or custodian to properly care for such child; it shall be the duty of such county judge to summon witnesses as to the facts set forth in such affidavit; and also such parents or parent, guardian or custodian of such child; and if the proofs be sufficient to establish the facts set forth in such affidavit, and to warrant public interference with the custody of such child, it shall be the duty of such judge to cause such child to be removed from the custody of such parents or parent, guardian or custodian and provide with a home, or such place for safe keeping and provision of such child as may be available and in his best judgment most suitable.

Providing for protection of children and their removal from custody of parents or guardians.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for such parents or parent, guardian or custodian to interfere with or remove such child from the place so provided without the written consent of such county judge.

Parents or guardians not to interfere with children.

SECTION 3. Any person who shall seek to entice any child away from the place provided for it pursuant to the provisions hereof, or shall interfere in any manner whatever, with the care, custody, control, personal liberty and education of any child removed from its parents, parent, guardian

Penalty for enticing children from place provided under this act.

or custodian pursuant to the provisions hereof, shall upon conviction in any justice, police or municipal court in the county in which such offense shall have been committed, be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six months.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 354.

AN ACT to authorize the circuit courts of this state to appoint assistant prosecuting counsel in certain cases.

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

Circuit courts may appoint assistant prosecuting counsel

SECTION 1. The circuit judges within their respective circuits are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to appoint counsel to assist the district attorney in the prosecution of persons charged with crime in all cases when the crime charged is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison. Such additional counsel shall be paid in the same manner as is now provided by law for the payment of counsel for indigent criminals.

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