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CHAPTER 455

AN ACT to amend 30.79 (4) of the statutes, relating to the operation of water safety patrols on waters defined by rule therefor.

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

30.79 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

30.79 (4) Upon petition by any municipality or group of municipalities operating or intending to operate a water safety patrol unit, the commission shall, if it finds that it is in the interest of efficient and effective enforcement to do so, by rule define the waters which may be patrolled by such unit, including waters lying within the territorial jurisdiction of some other town, village or city if such town, village or city consents thereto. *Such consent is not required if the petitioner is a municipality containing a population of 5,000 or more, bordering upon the waters to be affected by such rule in counties having a population of less than 500,000.* Officers patrolling the waters as part of such water safety patrol unit shall have the powers of sheriff in enforcing ss. 30.50 to 30.80, or rules or ordinances enacted pursuant thereto, on any of the waters so defined, whether or not such waters are within the municipality's jurisdiction for other purposes.

Approved September 9, 1961.