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CHAPTER 438

AN ACT to amend 270.58 (1) of the statutes, relating to liability of peace officers.

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

270.58 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

270.58 (1) Where the defendant in any action, writ or special proceeding * * * is a public officer and is proceeded against in his official capacity and the jury or the court finds that he acted in good faith the judgment as to damages and costs entered against the officer shall be paid by the state or political subdivision of which he is an officer. *Reasonable attorney's fees shall also be paid by the political subdivision in false arrest cases where such governmental unit does not provide legal counsel to the defendant officer.*

Approved September 9, 1959.