

1973 Assembly Bill 309

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AN ACT to amend 110.07 (2); and to repeal and recreate 110.07 (2m) of the statutes, relating to arrest powers of state traffic patrol officers.

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

SECTION 1. 110.07 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

110.07 (2) The traffic officers employed pursuant to ~~the provisions of this section~~

shall constitute a state traffic patrol to assist local enforcement officers wherever possible in the regulation of traffic and the prevention of accidents upon the public highways. ~~No state traffic officer shall be used in or take part in any dispute or controversy between employer or employe concerning wages, hours, labor or working conditions; nor shall any such traffic officer be required to serve civil processes.~~

SECTION 2. 110.07 (2m) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

110.07 (2m) In addition to the primary powers granted by subs. (1) and (2), any officer of the state traffic patrol, while in uniform and on duty, may arrest when he believes, on reasonable grounds, that a warrant for a person's arrest has been issued in this state, that a felony warrant has been issued in another state or that the person is committing or has committed a crime within 24 hours before the arrest. The state traffic patrol shall cause the person arrested to be delivered to the chief of police or the sheriff in the jurisdiction where the arrest is made along with the documents and reports pertaining to the arrest. A state traffic officer shall at all times be available as a witness for the state but shall not conduct investigations for crimes under chs. 939 to 947. The primary duty of a state traffic officer shall be the enforcement of chs. 340 to 350 or of any other law relating to the use or operation of vehicles upon the highway. No state traffic officer shall be used in or take part in any dispute or controversy between employer or employe concerning wages, hours, labor or working conditions; nor shall any such officer be required to serve civil process.
