

**CHAPTER 98 , Laws of 1981**

AN ACT to renumber 29.05 (2) to (9); and to create 29.05 (2) of the statutes, relating to arrest powers for conservation wardens.

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

SECTION 1. 29.05 (2) to (9) of the statutes are renumbered 29.05 (3) to (10).

SECTION 2. 29.05 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

29.05 (2) **ADDITIONAL ARREST POWERS.** In addition to the arrest powers under sub. (1), a conservation warden who has completed the program of law enforcement training approved by the law enforcement standards board and has been certified as qualified to be a law enforcement officer under s. 165.85 (4) (b) while on duty and in uniform or on duty and upon display of proper credentials may assist another law enforcement agency as defined under s. 165.83 (1) (b) including making an arrest at the request of the agency, may arrest a person pursuant to an arrest warrant concerning the commission of a felony or may arrest a person who has committed a crime in the presence of the warden. If the conservation warden makes an arrest without the presence of another law enforcement agency, the conservation warden shall cause the person arrested to be delivered to the chief of police or sheriff in the jurisdiction where the arrest is made, along with the documents and reports pertaining to the arrest. The conservation warden shall be available as a witness for the state. A conservation warden may not conduct investigations for violations of state law except as authorized in sub. (3) and s. 23.11 (4). A conservation warden acting under the authority of this subsection is considered an employe of the department and is subject to its direction, benefits and legal protection. The authority granted in this section does not apply to county conservation wardens or special conservation wardens.

SECTION 3. **Cross-reference changes.** In the sections of the statutes listed in Column A, the cross-references shown in Column B are changed to the cross-references shown in Column C:

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
Statute Sections	Old Cross-References	New Cross-References
29.06 (1)	29.05 (7)	29.05 (8)
347.06 (4)	29.05 (3)	29.05 (4)

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