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Dane County Narcotics & Gang Task Force

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April 9, 1998

Mr. Jim Campbell WAA Legislative Co-Chair 7 N. Pickney Street Suite 120 Madison, WI 53703

RE: Revision to Current Drug Abatement Law, Wisconsin Statute 704.17 (1)(c)

Dear Mr. Campbell:

As we have discussed, it has come to my attention that there appears to be a problem in the language of the drug abatement statute relating to County Sheriff Departments.

Currently, Statute 704.17(1)(c) reads:

"(c) A property owner may terminate the tenancy of a week-to-week or month-to-month tenant if the property owner receives written notice from a law enforcement agency of a city, town or village that a nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental unit or was caused by that tenant on the property owner's property and if the property owner gives the tenant written notice requiring the tenant to vacate on or before a date at least 5 days after the giving of the notice. The notice shall state the basis for its issuance and the right of the tenant to contest the termination of tenancy in an eviction action under ch. 799. If the tenant contests the termination of tenancy, the tenancy may not be terminated without proof by the property owner by the greater preponderance of the credible evidence of the allegation in the notice from the law enforcement agency of a city, town or village that a nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental unit or was caused by that tenant."

In Dane County, there are numerous areas where the Sheriff's Office provides exclusive law enforcement protection. The language of the current statute does not provide for a Sheriff's Department to issue a nuisance letter to a property owner. In the past year, I am aware of two occasions in which our Task Force has conducted drug investigations at rental properties in unincorporated areas of our County. The most recent case occurred this past March in which we executed two search warrants on a rental property. The property owner asked for an abatement letter to be sent to his (the property owner's) attorney, so as to commence eviction proceedings. As the location of the rental property was in a rural setting, and only served by the Sheriff's Office, I completed a notification letter to the property owner's attorney. I was later informed by the attorney that he could not proceed with the eviction process on the basis of the letter because the statute specifically states only law enforcement agencies of "a city, town or village" are able to issue these notifications.

If possible, I believe the wording for this statute should be amended to:

"...A property owner may terminate the tenancy of a week-to-week or month-tomonth tenant if the property owner receives written notice from <u>any</u> law enforcement agency <u>in the State of Wisconsin</u> that a nuisance..."

Changing the language to the above, would eliminate a Sheriff's Office problem with issuing abatement letters. Additionally, this language would include other agencies (Division of Narcotics Enforcement - DNE, and the Drug Enforcement Agency - DEA) who also can conduct drug investigations in this state.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the phone number listed below. Thank you for looking into having this statute changed to benefit the MAAA and Law Enforcement Agencies throughout Wisconsin.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Mark S. Twombly

Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force

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AN ACT ...; relating to: termination of a tenancy if notice given regarding drug

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a property owner receives notice from a law enforcement agency of a city, town or village that a rental unit is a nuisance because the unit is being used to facilitate the delivery, distribution or manufacture of a controlled substance or is being used to facilitate the activities of a criminal gang, the property owner may terminate the tenancy of the reptal unit by giving the tenant written notice requiring the tenant to vacate on or before a date at least odays after the giving of the notice. This bill expands the law enforcement agencies that may give notice to a property owner that a rental unit is a nuisance to include any law enforcement agency of the state or of a political subdivision of the state.

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

SECTION 1. 704.17 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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History: 1981 c. 286; 1993 a. 139, 486; 1995 a. 267. SECTION 2. 704.17 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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Robert P. Nelson Senior Legislative Attorney 267–7511

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1	[insert and Under current law, the city, town or village, and officers and
2	employes of those municipalities who act in good faith, are immune from liability for
3	acts or omissions related to the provision of a notice that a rental unit is a public
4	nuisance.
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6	SECTION 1. 893.80 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	893.80 (7) No suit may be brought against any city, town or village or the state
8	or any governmental subdivision or agency thereof or against any officer, official,
9	agent or employe of any of those entities who, in good faith, acts or fails to act to
10	provide a notice to a property owner that a public nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or
11	(1m) (b) exists.

History: Sup. Ct. Order, 67 W (2d) 585, 784 (1975); 1975 c. 218; 1977 c. 285, 447; 1979 c. 34; 1979 c. 323 s. 29; Stats. 1979 s. 893.80; 1981 c. 63; 1985 a. 340; 1987 a. 377; 1993 a. 139; 1995 a. 6, 158, 267; 1997 a. 27.

SUBMITTAL FORM

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The attached draft is submitted for your inspection. Please check each part carefully, proofread each word, and sign on the appropriate line(s) below.

To: Senator Moore **Date:** 12/23/98 Relating to LRB drafting number: LRB-1031 Topic Drug nuisance notice to landlord by law enforcement agency Subject(s) Courts - miscellaneous 1. **JACKET** the draft for introduction in the Senate X or the Assembly ____ (check only one). Only the requester under whose name the drafting request is entered in the LRB's drafting records may authorize the draft to be submitted. Please allow one day for the preparation of the required copies. 2. **REDRAFT.** See the changes indicated or attached A revised draft will be submitted for your approval with changes incorporated. 3. Obtain FISCAL ESTIMATE NOW, prior to introduction _____ If the analysis indicates that a fiscal estimate is required because the proposal makes an appropriation or increases or decreases existing appropriations or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues, you have the option to request the fiscal estimate prior to introduction. If you choose to introduce the proposal without the fiscal estimate, the fiscal estimate will be requested automatically upon introduction. It takes about 10 days to obtain a fiscal estimate. Requesting the fiscal estimate prior to introduction retains your flexibility for possible redrafting of the proposal. If you have any questions regarding the above procedures, please call 266-3561. If you have any questions relating to the attached draft, please feel free to call me.

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AN ACT to amend 704.17 (1) (c), 704.17 (2) (c), 704.17 (3) (b) and 893.80 (7) of the

statutes; **relating to:** termination of a tenancy if notice given regarding drug or criminal gang activity.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a property owner receives notice from a law enforcement agency of a city, town or village that a rental unit is a nuisance because the unit is being used to facilitate the delivery, distribution or manufacture of a controlled substance or is being used to facilitate the activities of a criminal gang, the property owner may terminate the tenancy by giving the tenant written notice requiring the tenant to vacate on or before a date at least five days after the giving of the notice.

Under current law, the city, town or village, and officers and employes of those municipalities who act in good faith, are immune from liability for acts or omissions related to the provision of a notice that a rental unit is a public nuisance.

This bill expands the law enforcement agencies that may give notice to a property owner that a rental unit is a nuisance to include any law enforcement agency of the state or of a political subdivision of the state and provides immunity to those additional entities and their officers and employes.

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

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SECTION 1. 704.17 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

704.17 (1) (c) A property owner may terminate the tenancy of a week-to-week or month-to-month tenant if the property owner receives written notice from a law enforcement agency of a city, town or village, as defined in s. 165.83 (1) (b), that a nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental unit or was caused by that tenant on the property owner's property and if the property owner gives the tenant written notice requiring the tenant to vacate on or before a date at least 5 days after the giving of the notice. The notice shall state the basis for its issuance and the right of the tenant to contest the termination of tenancy in an eviction action under ch. 799. If the tenant contests the termination of tenancy, the tenancy may not be terminated without proof by the property owner by the greater preponderance of the credible evidence of the allegation in the notice from the law enforcement agency of a city, town or village that a nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental unit or was caused by that tenant.

Section 2. 704.17 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

704.17 (2) (c) A property owner may terminate the tenancy of a tenant who is under a lease for a term of one year or less or who is a year-to-year tenant if the property owner receives written notice from a law enforcement agency of a city, town or village, as defined in s. 165.83 (1) (b), that a nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental unit or was caused by that tenant on the property owner's property and if the property owner gives the tenant written notice requiring the tenant to vacate on or before a date at least 5 days after the giving of the notice. The notice shall state the basis for its issuance and the right of the tenant to contest the termination of tenancy in an eviction action under ch. 799. If the tenant contests the termination of tenancy, the tenancy may not be terminated without proof by the

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1	property owner by the greater preponderance of the credible evidence of the
(2)	allegation in the notice from the law enforcement agency of a city, town or village that
3	a nuisance under s. 823,113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental unit or was
4	caused by that tenant, to provide a property owner with auxiten
5	SECTION 3. 704.17(3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
6	704.17 (3) (b) A property owner may terminate the tenancy of a tenant who is
7	under a lease for a term of more than one year if the property owner receives written
8	notice from a law enforcement agency of a city, town or village, as defined in s. 165.83
9	(1) (b), that a nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or (1m) (b) exists in that tenant's rental
10	unit or was caused by that tenant on the property owner's property and if the
11	property owner gives the tenant written notice to vacate on or before a date at least
12	5 days after the giving of the notice. The notice shall state the basis for its issuance
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16	of the credible evidence of the allegation in the notice from the law enforcement
(17)	agency of a city, town or village that a nuisance under s. 823.113(1) or (1m)(b) exists
(18)	in that tenant's rental unit or was caused by that tenant.
19	SECTION 4. 893.80 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:
20	893.80 (7) No suit may be brought against any city, town or village or the state
21	or any governmental subdivision or agency thereof or against any officer, official,
22	agent or employe of any of those entities who, in good faith, acts or fails to act to
23	provide a notice to a property owner that a public nuisance under s. 823.113 (1) or
24	(1m) (b) exists.