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23.25 (3)*

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Rep. Maleske

by ~~Mark~~ Marc Christopher

Problem - Under s. 66.0113 (3)(d) & (e), cannot enter default judgment on citation issued by campus police. Instead, must issue summons & warrant, which equals waste of judicial economy

Solution. AM 66.0113 (3)(e) to permit default judgment to be entered if citation served by campus police (UW system protective services employee)

**Nelson, Robert P.**


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**From:** Christopher, Marc  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 11, 2005 12:10 PM  
**To:** Nelson, Robert P.  
**Subject:** FW: Chapter 18, Default Judgment

Robert,

Hopefully this email might clear some things up. I looked up 778.25 and everything seems to check out.

Feel free to contact Jim West 715 346-3605.

marc

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**From:** Christopher, Marc  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 11, 2005 11:43 AM  
**To:** Christopher, Marc  
**Subject:** FW: Chapter 18, Default Judgment

-----Original Message-----

**From:** West, James [mailto:jwest@uwsp.edu]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 05, 2005 10:57 AM  
**To:** Rep.Molepske  
**Cc:** West, James  
**Subject:** Chapter 18, Default Judgment

Representative Molepske,

My Chief, Bill Rowe, notified me you are interested in the statute verbiage and/or statute number which fails to address the issue of a DEFAULT JUDGEMENT for our Administrative Code, Chapter 18 violations. These citations are the equivalent of county and city ordinances. The problem arose when our department gained sworn officer status and we began to issue these citations. In a court session I was asked by Judge Fleishauer to produce in writing statutory authority to bring these citations to court. I found Statute 778.25, and specifically 778.25(1)(a)5, which addresses citation procedures for those violations against rules promulgated by the Board of Regents. In a meeting with Judge Fleishauer and District Attorney Eagen, I presented this statute for courtroom procedure. Judge Fleishauer agreed that this was the appropriate statute and then proceeded to read 778.25 in its entirety. Upon completion, he found no verbiage allowing a default judgment and then told DA Eagen that if persons failed to pay the citation and then failed to appear in court he, Judge Fleishauer, would have to refer the matter back to the DA for summons and complaint. This procedure is being utilized by Judge Finn and Flugaur as well.

We badly need a default judgment statute as most students fail to take care of the citation. Our current procedure now is to take any failure to appear situations and revert them to a criminal request for charges. These students therefore are ending up with permanent criminal records for minor situations. As we all know, more and more occupations are requiring criminal background checks and these criminal charges could certainly affect someone's future. These students are not being treated the same as the general public on this civil forfeiture issue when the end result become a criminal charge.

Anything you can do to resolve this issue would be greatly appreciated. Feel free to call or e-mail me if you have any further questions. I have also checked with a former court officer with the UW Madison Police and he

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verified that there is no default judgment for Chapter 18 violations.

Yours;  
Detective Jim West  
UW-Stevens Point  
Police and Security



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8 the court shall proceed under s. 938.28. Chapter 938 governs taking and holding a  
9 minor in custody.

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2 778.25 (8) (a) 2. <sup>Not</sup>

3 ~~SECTION 3. 23.75 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:~~

4 ~~2~~ If the court considers the nonappearance to be a plea of no contest and enters  
5 judgment accordingly, the court shall promptly mail a copy or notice of the judgment  
6 to the defendant. The judgment shall allow the defendant not less than 20 working  
7 days from the date the judgment copy or notice is mailed to pay the forfeiture, plus  
8 costs, fees, and surcharges imposed under ch. 814.

9 ~~History: 1975 c. 365; 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 34; 1981 c. 317; 1985 a. 36; 1987 a. 27, 399; 1991 a. 39; 1993 a. 156; 1997 a. 27; 2003 a. 139.~~

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Under current law, the citations procedure that applies to violations of rules promulgated by the UW Board of Regents requires the court to issue a summons or an arrest warrant if the person who received a citation fails to make a deposit or to appear in court at the time fixed in the citation. This citation procedure is also used for ~~various~~ other types of violations, including ~~underage drinking, cigarette use, or drug use violations; harassment; and state property damage.~~

This bill allows the court, as an alternative to issuing a summons or arrest warrant, to consider the violator's nonappearance to be a plea of no contest and to enter judgment accordingly. This procedure is identical to the procedure available to courts in cases involving violations of natural resource laws, traffic violations, and municipal ordinance violations.

For further information see the **state and local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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① Underage possession and or use of alcohol or drug paraphernalia  
② Underage cigarettes

④ 20 Harassment

④ 30 Body passing or alcohol use at a sporting event

④ 40 Property damage to state property

④ 50 Noncompliance with rental unit standards