

1993 Assembly Bill 793

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## 1993 WISCONSIN ACT 321

AN ACT *to amend* 161.555 (1) and 973.076 (1) of the statutes, **relating to:** court jurisdiction in forfeiture actions regarding seized property.

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

**SECTION 1.** 161.555 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

161.555 (1) TYPE OF ACTION; WHERE BROUGHT. In an action brought to cause the forfeiture of any property seized under s. 161.55, the court may render a judgment in rem or against a party personally, or both. The circuit court for the county in which the property was seized shall have ~~exclusive~~ jurisdiction over any proceedings regarding the property when the action is commenced in state court. Any property seized may be the subject of a federal forfeiture action.

**SECTION 2.** 973.076 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

973.076 (1) TYPE OF ACTION; WHERE BROUGHT. In an action brought to cause the forfeiture of any property specified in s. 973.075 (1), the court may render a judgment in rem or against a party personally, or both. The circuit court for the county in which the property was seized shall have ~~exclusive~~ jurisdiction over any proceedings regarding the property when the action is commenced in state court. Any property seized may be the subject of a federal forfeiture action.

**SECTION 3. Initial applicability.** This act first applies to property seized on the effective date of this SECTION.

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