

CHAPTER 271

AN ACT to create 59.456 (6) of the statutes, relating to the duty of the district attorney and corporation counsel in counties having a population of 500,000 or more.

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

59.456 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

59.456 (6) It is the responsibility of the district attorney, after the effective date of this subsection (1965), to institute, commence or appear in all civil actions or special proceedings under ss. 52.10, 269.565 and 957.13, and in all actions or proceedings in the criminal branches of the county and circuit courts which are related to or part of criminal prosecutions, and to perform all appropriate duties and appear whenever he may be designated in matters within chs. 292, 958, 964, 965 and 966, except that he shall not appear in matters under s. 292.01 (2). The district attorney is also authorized to appear in children's court matters involving delinquency or neglect, or contributing to either, or violation of traffic laws or ordinances, except that in any such matter the corporation counsel shall appear instead of the district attorney at the request of the court if the presiding judge considers that the interests of justice would be more adequately served thereby; and the district attorney is further authorized to appear in children's court in connection with other matters as requested by the judge. In addition thereto, whenever requested by the county board the district attorney shall prosecute all violations of county ordinances before any of the courts of his county.

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