

County Board File No. _____

Ordinance No. 900.01

ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT TRUANCY

SECTION I: Pursuant the authorization granted in Section 118.163(lm) and Section 938.342 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Iowa County Board hereby creates Ordinance No. 900.01 to read as follows:

TRUANCY PROHIBITED

- (1) **Prohibition of Truancy.** A child, i.e. a person under 18 years of age, is prohibited from being a truant.
- (2) **Definitions.** For purposes of this ordinance:
 - (a) "Truant" shall mean a pupil who is absent from school without an acceptable excuse under Section 118.15 and 118.16(4) of the Wisconsin Statutes for part or all of any day on which school is held during a school semester.
- (3) **Penalty.** Upon finding that a child is a truant, the court shall enter an order making one or more of the following dispositions:
 - (a) An order for the person to attend school.
 - (b) A forfeiture of not more than \$50 plus costs for a first violation, or a forfeiture of not more than \$100 plus costs for any 2nd or subsequent violation committed within 12 months of a previous violation, subject to Section 938.37 of the Wisconsin Statutes and subject to a maximum cumulative forfeiture amount of not more than \$500 for all violations committed during a school semester. All or part of the forfeiture plus costs may be assessed against the child, the parents or guardian of the child, or both.

Dated this 7th day of December, 1999.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee on Courts, Justice and Law Enforcement of the Iowa County Board of Supervisors, Jacob Ehr, Chairman.

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