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Overview

This Act grants certain federal law enforcement officers arrest authority and indemnification when assisting a state officer.

1 Federal Law Enforcement Officers.

Subd. 1. Arrest Authority. Grants federal law enforcement officers the authority to arrest people for non-federal crimes if:

the federal officer is on duty

assistance is requested by a Minnesota peace officer

the federal officer acts under the direction of the Minnesota peace officer

the federal officer follows his or her own rules and regulations, and

the officer turns the suspect over immediately

Subd. 2. Indemnification. Grants federal law enforcement officers acting under subdivision 1 the same immunity given to state officers.

Subd. 3. Definition. Defines "federal law enforcement officer" for purposes of this section. Provides that officers of the following agencies fall under the scope of subdivisions 1 and 2: FBI, DEA, U.S. Marshall, Secret Service, ATF, and INS.