

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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AN ACT to amend, revise, and codify sections nine hundred seven (907), fourteen hundred forty (1440), fourteen hundred forty-three (1443), fourteen hundred fifty-two (1452), fourteen hundred sixty-nine (1469), fourteen hundred seventy-two (1472), fourteen hundred eighty-one (1481), fifteen hundred thirty-six (1536), fifteen hundred ninety-two (1592), sixteen hundred thirteen (1613), sixteen hundred seventeen (1617), sixteen hundred twenty-six (1626), sixteen hundred twenty-seven (1627), and sixteen hundred ninety-nine (1699) of the compiled code of Iowa and sections eight hundred ninety-nine (899), nine hundred three (903), fourteen hundred forty-two (1442), fifteen hundred thirty-two-a fifteen (1532-al5), sixteen hundred thirty-one-a one (1631-al) to sixteen hundred thirty-one-a fifteen (1631-al5), inclusive, sixteen hundred fifty-three-a one (1653-al) to sixteen hundred fifty-three-a seven (1653-a-7), inclusive, and seventeen hundred eleven (1711) of the supplement to said code, relating to the department of agriculture and fruit-tree and forest reservations.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That sections nine hundred seven (907), fourteen hundred forty (1440), fourteen hundred forty-three (1443), fourteen hundred fifty-two (1452), fourteen hundred sixty-nine (1469), fourteen hundred seventy-two (1472), fourteen hundred eighty-one (1481), fifteen hundred thirty-six (1536), fifteen hundred ninety-two (1592), sixteen hundred thirteen (1613), sixteen hundred seventeen (1617), sixteen hundred twenty-six (1626), and sixteen hundred twenty-seven (1627) of the compiled Code of Iowa and sections eight hundred ninety-nine (899), nine hundred three (903), fourteen hundred forty-two (1442), fifteen hundred thirty-two-a fifteen (1532-al5), sixteen hundred thirty-one-a one (1631-al) to sixteen hundred thirty-one-a fifteen (1631-al5), inclusive, and sixteen hundred fifty-three-a one (1653-al) to sixteen hundred fifty-three-a seven (1653-a-7), inclusive, of the supplement to said Code are amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

TITLE VIII
AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE AND ANIMAL INDUSTRY
CHAPTER I
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Section 1. Definitions and rules of construction. For the purposes of this title, unless otherwise provided:

1. "Secretary" shall mean the secretary of agriculture.
2. "Department" shall mean the Iowa department of agriculture and wherever such department is required or authorized to do an act, unless otherwise provided, it shall be construed as authorizing performance by an officer, regular assistant, or duly authorized agent of such department.
3. "Person" shall include an individual, a corporation, company, firm, society, or association; and the act, omission, or conduct of any officer, agent, or other person acting in a representative capacity shall be imputed to the organization or person represented, and the person acting in such capacity shall also be liable for violation of this title.

Sec. 2. Object of department. The object of the department of agriculture shall be:

1. To encourage, promote, and advance the interests of agriculture, including horticulture, live stock industry, dairying, cheese making, poultry raising, bee keeping, forestry, production of wool, and other kindred and allied industries.

2. To promote and devise methods of conducting said industries with the view of increasing production and facilitating an adequate distribution of the same at the least cost to the producer.

3. To administer efficiently and impartially the inspection service of the state as is now or may hereafter be placed under its supervision.

Sec. 3. Cooperation with other agriculture agencies.

1. The department of agriculture and the Iowa state college of agriculture and mechanic arts shall cooperate in all ways that may be beneficial to the agricultural interests of the state, but without duplicating research or educational work conducted by said college. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to subordinate either the Department or the college in their several spheres of action.

2. The department of agriculture is hereby authorized to cooperate with the United States department of agriculture as the Iowa department may deem wise and just.

Sec. 4. Location of department. The department of agriculture shall be located at the seat of government.

Sec. 5. Powers and duties. The secretary of agriculture shall be the head of the department of agriculture which shall:

1. Carry out the objects for which the department is created and maintained.

2. Establish and maintain such divisions in the department as are necessary for the proper enforcement of the laws administered by it.

3. Consolidate the inspection service of the state in respect to the laws administered by the department so as to eliminate duplication of inspection in so far as practicable.

4. Maintain weather and crop bureaus which shall, in cooperation with the United States weather bureau, collect, and disseminate weather statistics and meteorological data, and promote the knowledge of the meteorology and climatology of the state. Said bureau shall be in charge of a director who shall be appointed by the secretary of agriculture, and shall be an officer of the United States weather bureau, if one be detailed for that purpose by the federal government.

5. Establish volunteer weather and crop service stations in one (1) or more places in each county, appoint observers thereat, supervise such stations, receive reports of meteorological events and crop conditions, and tabulate the same for permanent record.

6. Issue weekly weather and crop bulletins from April first to October first of each year, and edit and cause to be published monthly weather, crop, and live-stock reports, containing meteorological and agricultural matter of public interest.

7. Compile statistics and information, in cooperation with the federal government, relative to crop production, farm economics, the production and marketing of beef, pork, mutton, wool, poultry, milk, butter, cheese, and all other dairy and agricultural products, in so far as such statistical information may be deemed of value to agriculture and its allied interests in the state. Such statistics when published shall constitute the official agricultural statistics of the state, and shall be published in the "Iowa Year Book of Agriculture".

8. Inspect and supervise all cold storage plants and food producing or distributing establishments including the furniture, fixtures, utensils, machinery, and other equipment so as to prevent the production, preparation, packing, storage, or transportation of food in a manner detrimental to its character or quality.

9. Establish, publish, and enforce rules not inconsistent with law for the enforcement of the provisions of this title and for the enforcement of the various laws, the administration and supervision of which are imposed upon the department.

Sec. 6. Additional duties. In addition to the duties imposed by the preceding section the department shall enforce the law relative to:

1. Forest and fruit-tree reservations, chapter two (2) of this title.
2. Registration of animals, chapter three (3) of this title.
3. Infectious and contagious diseases among animals, chapter four (4) of this title.
4. Eradication of bovine tuberculosis, chapter five (5) of this title.
5. Hog cholera virus and serum, chapter six (6) of this title.
6. Use and disposal of dead animals, chapter seven (7) of this title.
7. Practice of veterinary medicine and surgery, chapter eight (8) of this title.
8. Hotels, restaurants, and food establishments, chapter nine (9) of this title.
9. Cold storage, chapter ten (10) of this title.
10. Regulation and inspection of foods, drugs, and other articles, title - of this code, but chapter nine (9) and ten (10) of said title shall be enforced as therein provided.
11. State aid received by certain associations as provided in chapters 13 to 19, inclusive, of this title.

Sec. 7. Notice of adoption of rules. Immediately after the adoption of any rule, the department shall forward a certified copy thereof to the auditor of each county. When any rule is amended, notice of such amendment shall be given in the same manner.

Sec. 8. Time rules take effect. The rules of the department shall take effect and be in force in the respective counties from and after the date stated in the certified copies of said rules which are forwarded to the county auditors.

Sec. 9. Publication and distribution of rules. A sufficient number of the rules of the department shall be published from time to time to supply the various needs for the same. A copy of the rules shall be furnished to any resident of the state upon request.

Sec. 9-a1. Iowa Year Book of Agriculture. The Iowa Year Book of Agriculture shall contain such information and data as in the discretion of the secretary concern the agricultural interests of the state, including data relative to or the reports of:

1. The state fair board, the county and district fair societies, the farmers' institutes and short courses, and the farm aid associations.
2. The state horticultural society, the state dairy association, the beef cattle producers' association, the corn and small grain growers' association, and the poultry associations.

3. Other agricultural, horticultural, and live-stock associations in the state organized for the promotion of agriculture.

Any section of such year book, may, on the order of the secretary, be published in pamphlet or book form for separate distribution.

Sec. 10. Assessor to collect statistics. Agricultural statistics shall be collected each year by the township, town and city assessors under the supervision of the department, which shall design and distribute blank forms and instructions therefor.

Sec. 11. Returns by assessor. The assessor shall require each person whose property is listed, to make answers to such inquiries as may be necessary to enable him to return the foregoing statistics, carefully footed and summarized, to the department on or before the fifteenth day of April of each year.

Sec. 12. Official seal. The department shall have an official seal, and every commission, license, order, or other paper executed by or under the authority of the department may be attested with such seal.

Sec. 13. Bonds of employees. The secretary shall require every inspector or employe who collects fees or handles funds belonging to the state to give an official bond, properly conditioned and signed by sufficient sureties, in a sum to be fixed by the secretary, which bond shall be approved by him and filed in the office of the secretary of state. This section shall not apply to the deputy secretary of agriculture.

Sec. 14. Biennial report. The secretary shall make a report to the governor in each even-numbered year, at the time provided by law, which shall include all receipts and disbursements for the year, and such information and statistics concerning the enforcement of the several laws administered by the department as may be thought useful, with such suggestions as to legislation as may be deemed advisable.

Sec. 15. Duty of peace officers to enforce rules. All peace officers of the state when called upon by the secretary or any officer or authorized agent of the department shall enforce its rules and execute its lawful orders within their respective jurisdictions and upon the request of the secretary such officers shall make such inspections as directed by the secretary and report the results thereof to him.

Sec. 16. Interference with department. Any person resisting or interfering with the department, its employees or authorized agents, in the discharge of any duty imposed by law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 17. State farmer's institute. In connection with the annual convention to elect members of the state fair board, either preceding or following the day on which the officers are elected, the secretary may hold a state farmers' institute, for the discussion of practical and scientific topics relating to the various branches of agriculture, the substance of which may be published in the Iowa Year Book of Agriculture.

Sec. 18. Appropriations. There is hereby appropriated, annually for the biennium ending June 30, 1925 out of any unappropriated funds in the state treasury:

1. The sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for the eradication of infectious and contagious diseases among animals.

2. The sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) as a contingent fund for the payment of incidental and miscellaneous expenses incurred by the department in the carrying out of the various laws, the administration and supervision of which are imposed upon the department.

CHAPTER 2

FRUIT-TREE AND FOREST RESERVATIONS

That section sixteen hundred ninety-nine (1699) of the compiled Code of Iowa is amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

Sec. 19. *State forestry commissioner.* The secretary of agriculture shall be the state forestry commissioner. It shall be his duty to promote the objects of this chapter, and he shall have power to appoint deputies without salary for each county, or group of counties, who shall assist him, and who shall make an annual report to him of forestry matters and of the operations of this chapter, within their respective territories.

Sec. 20. *Tax exemption.* Any person who establishes a forest or fruit-tree reservation as provided in this chapter shall be entitled to the tax exemption provided by law.

That section seventeen hundred eleven (1711) of the supplement to the compiled Code of Iowa is amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

Sec. 21. *Duty of county auditor.* It shall be the duty of the county auditor in every county to keep a record of all forest and fruit-tree reservations within his county; and to make a report of the same to the department of agriculture on or before June fifteenth of each year.

Approved April 26, 1924.

CHAPTER 45

AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

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AN ACT to amend, revise, and codify chapters three (3), five (5), and nine (9) of title eight (8), and sections sixteen hundred fourteen (1614) to sixteen hundred sixteen (1616), inclusive, sixteen hundred eighteen (1618) to sixteen hundred twenty-one (1621), inclusive, sixteen hundred twenty-three (1623) to sixteen hundred twenty-five (1625), inclusive, sixteen hundred twenty-eight (1628), sixteen hundred thirty (1630), sixteen hundred thirty-one (1631), and sixteen hundred thirty-eight (1638) to sixteen hundred forty-four (1644), inclusive, of the compiled code of Iowa, and chapters six (6), seven (7), and eight (8) of title eight (8), of the compiled code of Iowa and the supplement to said code, and chapter ten (10) of title eight (8) and sections sixteen hundred twenty-two (1622), sixteen hundred thirty-one-a nine (1631-a9), sixteen hundred thirty-six-a one (1636-a1) to sixteen hundred thirty-six-a eight (1636-a8) inclusive, and sixteen hundred thirty-seven (1637), of the supplement to said code, relating to state fair and agricultural organizations receiving state aid.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa: