CHAPTER 139

PESTICIDES

S. F. 237

AN ACT relating to the distribution, sale, transportation and use of pesticides and devices and to provide for registration and examination of such materials and regulation of their use.

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

- Chapter two hundred six (206), Code 1962, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:
- SECTION 1. This Act shall be known and may be cited as the 1 2 "Pesticide Act of Iowa".

SEC. 2. When used in this Act: 1

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- 1. The term "pesticide" shall mean (a) any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating directly or indirectly any insects, rodents, nematodes, fungi, weeds, and other forms of plant or animal life or viruses, except viruses on or in living man, which the secretary shall declare to be a pest, and (b) any substances intended for use as a plant growth
- regulator, defoliant or desiccant.

 2. The term "device" means any instrument or contrivance in-9 tended for trapping, destroying, repelling, or mitigating insects, 10 birds, or rodents or destroying, repelling, or mitigating fungi, nematodes, weeds or such other pests as may be designated by the secretary, but not including equipment used for the application of pesti-11 12 13 14
 - cides when sold separately therefrom.

 3. The term "plant growth regulator" means any substance or mixture of substances intended, through physiological action, for maturation. accelerating or retarding the rate of growth or rate of maturation, or for otherwise altering the behavior of ornamental or crop plants or the produce thereof, but shall not include substances to the extent that they are intended as plant nutrients, trace elements, nutritional chemicals, plant inoculants, and soil amendments.

4. The term "ingredient statement" means either:

a. A statement of the name and percentage by weight of each pesticide ingredient, together with the total percentage of the inert ingredients, in the pesticide.

b. With respect to pesticides for household uses, not highly toxic to man, a statement of the name of each active ingredient in descending order of predominance and total percent of inert ingredients.

- c. In case the pesticide contains arsenic in any form, a statement of the percentages by weight of total and water soluble arsenic, each calculated as elemental arsenic.
- 5. The term "active ingredient" means:
 a. In the case of a pesticide other than a plant growth regulator, defoliant or desiccant, an ingredient which will prevent, destroy, repel, or mitigate insects, nematodes, fungi, rodents, weeds, or other pests.
- b. In the case of a plant growth regulator, an ingredient which, through physiological action, will accelerate or retard the rate of

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growth or rate of maturation or otherwise alter the behavior of 40 ornamental or crop plants or the produce thereof. 41

c. In the case of a defoliant, an ingredient which will cause the

leaves or foliage to drop from a plant.

d. In the case of a desiccant, an ingredient which will artificially accelerate the drying of plant tissue.

6. The term "inert ingredient" means an ingredient which is not

an active ingredient.

7. The term "antidote" means the most practical immediate treat-

ment in case of poisoning and includes first aid treatment.

8. The term "person" means any individual, partnership, association, corporation, or organized group of persons whether incorporated or not.

9. The term "department" shall mean the Iowa department of

agriculture.

10. The term "secretary" means the secretary of the Iowa department of agriculture.

11. The term "registrant" means the person registering any pesticide or device or who has obtained a certificate of license from the

department pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

12. The term "commercial applicator" shall mean any person or corporation who enters into a contract or an agreement for the sake of monetary payment and agrees to perform a service by applying any pesticide or servicing any device but shall not include a farmer

trading work with another.

13. The term "label" means the written, printed, or graphic matter on, or attached to, the pesticide or device, or the immediate container thereof, and the outside container or wrapper of the retail

package, if any there be, of the pesticide or device.

14. The term "labeling" means all labels and other written, printed or graphic matter:

a. Upon the pesticide or device or any of its containers or wrap-

b. Accompanying the pesticide or device at any time.

- c. To which reference is made on the label or in literature accompanying the pesticide or device, except when accurate, nonmisleading reference is made to current official publications of the United States department of agriculture or interior, the United States public health service, the state agricultural experiment stations, the Iowa state university, the Iowa department of public health, the state conservation commission, or other similar federal institutions or official agencies of this state or other states authorized by law to conduct research in the field of pesticides.

 15. The term "adulterated" shall apply to any pesticide if its
- strength or purity falls below the professed standard or quality as expressed on labeling or under which it is sold, or if any substance has been substituted wholly or in part for the article, or if any valuable constituent of the article has been wholly or in part abstracted.

16. The term "misbranded" shall apply:
a. To any pesticide or device if its labeling bears any statement, design or graphic representation relative thereto or to its ingredients which is false or misleading in any particular.

b. To any pesticide:

- 93 (1) If it is an imitation of or is offered for sale under the name of another pesticide.
 - (2) If its labeling bears any reference to registration under this
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- (3) If the labeling accompanying it does not contain directions for use which are necessary and if complied with adequate for the protection of the public.
- (4) If the label does not contain a warning or caution statement which may be necessary and if complied with adequate to prevent
- injury to living man and other vertebrate animals.
- (5) If the label does not bear an ingredient statement on that part of the immediate container and on the outside container or wrapper, if there is to be one, through which the ingredient statement on the immediate container cannot be clearly read, of the retail package which is presented or displayed under customary conditions of purchase.
- (6) If any word, statement, or other information required by or under authority of this Act to appear on the label or labeling is not prominently placed thereon with such conspicuousness as compared with other words, statements, designs, or graphic matter in the labeling and in such terms as to render it likely to be read and understood by the ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase and use.
- (7) If in the case of an insecticide, nematocide, fungicide, or herbicide when used as directed or in accordance with commonly recognized practice it shall be injurious to living man or other vertebrate animals, or vegetation, except weeds, to which it is applied, or to the person applying such pesticide.
- (8) If in the case of a plant growth regulator, defoliant, or desiccant when used as directed it shall be injurious to living man or other vertebrate animals, or vegetation to which it is applied, or to the person applying such pesticide; provided, that physical or physiological effects on plants or parts thereof shall not be deemed to be injury, when this is the purpose for which the plant growth regulator, defoliant, or desiccant was applied, in accordance with the label claims and recommendations.
 - SEC. 3. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to distribute, give, sell, or offer for sale within this state or deliver for transportation or transport in intrastate commerce or between points within this state through any point outside this state any of the following:
 - 5 a. Any pesticide which has not been registered pursuant to the 6 provisions of section four (4) of this Act.
 - b. Any pesticide, if any of the claims made for it, or if any of the directions for its use, differ in substance from the representations made in connection with its registration.
 - c. Any pesticide if the composition thereof differs from its composition as represented in connection with its registration, unless within the discretion of the secretary, or his authorized representative, a change in the labeling or formula of a pesticide within a regis-
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- d. Any pesticide, unless it is in the registrant's or the manufacturer's unbroken immediate container, and there is affixed to such container, and to the outside container or wrapper of the retail package, if there be one through which the required information on the immediate container cannot be clearly read, a label bearing the following:
- (1) The name and address of the manufacturer, registrant, or person for whom manufactured.

(2) The name, brand, or trade mark of said article.(3) The net weight or measure of the contents subject, however, to such reasonable variations as the secretary may permit.

(4) An ingredient statement as required in section four (4) of this Act.

- (5) A confidential code number or designation approved by the secretary which shows the date of manufacture of products which the secretary finds after public hearing are subject to deterioration. Except in official proceedings pursuant to section 10 of this Act, it shall be unlawful for the secretary or any representative of the department to disclose the translation or decipherment of any code number or designation shown on a container pursuant to this requirement.
- e. Any pesticide which contains any substance or substances in quantities highly toxic to man; determined as provided in section six (6) of this Act, unless the label shall bear, in addition to any other matter required by this Act:

(1) The skull and cross-bones.

(2) The word "poison" prominently, in red, on a background of distinctly contrasting color.

(3) A statement of an antidote for the pesticide.

(4) Instructions for safe disposal of the container when the used container is found by the secretary after public hearing to be hazardous to man or other vertebrate animals.

- f. Any standard lead arsenate, basic lead arsenate, calcium arsenate, magnesium arsenate, zinc arsenate, zinc arsenite, sodium fluoride, sodium fluosilicate and barium fluosilicate unless such pesticides have been distinctly colored or discolored as provided by regulations issued in accordance with this Act, or any other white powder which the secretary, or his authorized representatives, after investigation of and after public hearing on the necessity for such action for the protection of the public health and the feasibility of such coloration or discoloration, shall, by regulation, require to be distinctly colored or discolored; unless it has been so colored or discolored; provided, that the secretary, or his authorized representative, may exempt any pesticide to the extent that it is intended for a particular use or uses from the coloring or discoloring required or authorized by this section if he determines that such coloring or discoloring for such use or uses is not necessary for the protection of the public health or safety.
 - g. Any pesticide which is adulterated or misbranded.

2. It shall be unlawful:

a. For any person to detach, alter, deface, or destroy in whole or in part, any label or labeling provided for in this Act or the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, or to add any substance to, or

69 take any substance from a pesticide in a manner that may defeat 70 the purpose of this Act.

b. For any person to use for his own advantage or to reveal, other than to the secretary, or officials or employees of the state or officials or employees of the United States department of agriculture, or other federal agencies, or to the courts in response to a subpoena, or to physicians, and in emergencies to pharmacists and other qualified persons for use in the preparation of antidotes, in accordance with such directions as the secretary may prescribe, any information relative to formulae of products acquired by authority of section four (4) of this Act.

c. For any person to interfere in any way with the secretary or his duly authorized agents in carrying out the duties imposed by this Act.

d. To apply or cause to be applied any pesticide in such a way as to damage seriously the health, welfare, or property of any person or pollute or cause pollution of public waters as defined in section one hundred thirty-five point eighteen (135.18) of the Code, but no person shall be liable under this chapter if said pesticide is applied in accordance with, or at a rate less than, the label requirements.

SEC. 4. 1. Every pesticide which is distributed, sold or offered for sale within this state or delivered for transportation or transported in intrastate commerce between points within the state through any point outside this state shall be registered with the department of agriculture. The secretary shall register and permit the sale of any pesticide which has been duly registered without protest under the provisions of the federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, but products so registered shall be subject to the registration fees provided for herein, and to all other provisions of this Act. All registration of products shall expire on the thirty-first day of October following date of issuance, unless such registration shall be renewed annually, in which event expiration date shall be extended for each year of renewal registration, or until otherwise terminated; provided that:

a. Products which have the same formula, and are manufactured by the same person, the labeling of which contains the same claims, and the labels of which bear a designation identifying the product as the same pesticide may be registered as a single pesticide; additional names and labels shall be added by supplement statements during the current period of registration. For the purpose of this Act, fertilizers in mixed fertilizer-pesticide formulations shall be considered as inert ingredients.

b. Within the discretion of the secretary, or his authorized representative, a change in the labeling or formulae of a pesticide may be made within the current period of registration, without requiring a re-registration of the product, provided the name of the item is not changed.

2. The registrant shall file with the department a statement containing:

a. The name and address of the registrant and the name and address of the person whose name will appear on the label, if other than the registrant.

b. The name of the pesticide.

c. An ingredient statement in which the accepted common name and percentage by weight of each active ingredient is listed as well as the percentage of inert ingredients in the pesticides.

d. A complete copy of the labeling accompanying the pesticide and a statement of all claims made and to be made for it including direc-

tions for use.

e. A full description of the tests made and results thereof upon which the claims are based, if requested by the secretary. In the case of renewal or re-registration, a statement may be required only with respect to information which is different from that furnished

when the pesticide was registered or last re-registered.

3. The registrant, before selling or offering for sale any pesticide in this state, shall register each brand and grade of such pesticide with the secretary upon forms furnished by the secretary, and, for the purpose of defraying expenses connected with the enforcement of this Act, shall pay to the secretary an annual registration fee of ten (10) dollars for each and every brand and grade to be offered for sale in this state up to ten (10) products. A fee of five (5) dollars shall be paid for each product thereafter. The fees collected shall be deposited in the treasury to the credit of the pesticide fund to be used only for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Act. All moneys in said fund in excess of one hundred thousand (100,000) dollars shall be placed in the general fund of the state at the end of each biennium.

4. The secretary, whenever he deems it necessary in the administration of this Act, may require the submission of the complete formula of any pesticide. If it appears to the secretary that the composition of the article is such as to warrant the proposed claims for it and if the article and its labeling and other material required to be submitted comply with the requirements of this Act, he shall register the article.

5. If it does not appear to the secretary that the article is such as to warrant the proposed claims for it or if the article and its labeling and other material required to be submitted do not comply with the provisions of this Act, he shall notify the registrant of the manner in which the article, labeling, or other material required to be submitted fail to comply with this Act so as to afford the registrant an opportunity to make the necessary corrections before resubmitting the label. If, upon receipt of such notice, the registrant insists that such corrections are not necessary and requests in writing that the article be registered, the secretary shall register the article, under protest, and such registration shall be accompanied by a warning, in writing, to the registrant of the apparent failure of the article to comply with the provisions of this Act. In order to protect the public, the secretary, on his own motion, may at any time cancel the registration of a pesticide and in lieu thereof issue a registration under protest in accordance with the foregoing procedure. In no event shall registration of an article, whether or not protested, be construed as a defense for the commission of any offense prohibited under section three (3) of this Act.

6. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, registration is not required in the case of a pesticide shipped from one plant

within this state to another plant within this state operated by the 87 same person.

SEC. 5. 1. All commercial applicators of pesticides shall be required to secure a license and be issued a permit and be assigned a permit number. The secretary shall require proof of competence and responsibility before issuing a license. Upon receipt of a properly executed application and payment of required fees, the secretary shall issue a license permitting a person to make commercial applications of pesticides and devices unless he has reason to believe such issuance would not be in the public interest. Every public officer or foreman who applies pesticides on public property or supervises such application by another shall also secure such license and be issued a permit in like manner but the payment of fee therefor shall be waived by the department.

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2. All persons required to secure a license under this section shall initially pay a fee of ten (10) dollars, and each year thereafter shall pay a fee of five (5) dollars for renewal of this license and permit number. Fees collected shall be deposited in the treasury to the pesticide fund to be used for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Act. The expiration date shall be the thirty-first day of October of each year. In case the original license or permit number has been lost or destroyed, a duplicate license and permit number may be obtained upon payment of a fee of five (5) dollars.

3. The secretary may revoke or suspend any license after conviction of the holder for violation of any provision of this Act.

4. Aerial commercial applicators shall register with the Iowa aeronautics commission as well as with the Iowa department of agriculture.

5. Any nonresident commercial applicator securing a license and permit to operate in Iowa impliedly consents to the appointment of the secretary of agriculture as his agent for the service of original notice in any civil suit against him concerning the application of pesticides in Iowa.

SEC. 6. 1. The secretary is authorized, after public hearing following due notice:

a. To declare as a pest any form of plant or animal life or virus which is injurious to plants, man, domestic animals, articles, or substances.

b. To determine whether pesticides are highly toxic to man.

c. To determine standards of coloring or discoloring for pesticides, and to subject pesticides to the requirements of section three (3), subsection one (1) of this Act.

2. The secretary is authorized, after public hearing following due notice, to make appropriate rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of this Act, including rules and regulations providing for the collection and chemical examination of samples of pesticides or devices.

3. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions and the requirements of this Act and the rules and regulations made and notices given pursuant thereto, the secretary or his authorized agents, in-

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- spectors, or employees may enter into or upon any place during reasonable business hours in order to take periodic random samples for chemical examinations of pesticides and devices and to open any bundle, package or other container containing or believed to contain a pesticide in order to determine whether the pesticide or device complies with the requirements of this Act. Methods of analysis shall be those currently used by the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists.
 - 4. The secretary is authorized, after public hearing following due notice, to adopt by regulation such regulations, applicable to and in conformity with the primary standards established by this Act, and as have been or may be prescribed in the United States department of agriculture with respect to pesticides.
- 5. After public hearing, the secretary is empowered to ban the use of a pesticide or formulation of a pesticide in specific areas or during certain periods upon evidence that the pesticide caused widespread serious damage to crops or livestock.
- The examination of pesticides shall be made under the direction of the secretary, or his authorized representative, for the purpose of determining whether they comply with the requirements of this Act. If it shall appear from such examination that a pesticide fails to comply with the provisions of this Act, and the secretary, or his authorized representative, contemplates instituting criminal proceedings against any person, he shall cause notice to be given to such person. Any person so notified shall be given an opportunity to present his views, either orally or in writing, with regard to such contemplated proceedings and if thereafter in the opinion of the 10 secretary, or his authorized representative, it shall appear that the 11 12 provisions of the Act have been violated by such person, then the 13 secretary or his authorized representative may refer the facts to the 14 county attorney for the county in which the violation shall have 15 occurred with a copy of the results of the analysis or the examination of such article; provided, however, that nothing in this Act 16 17 shall be construed as requiring the secretary or his representative to report for prosecution or for the institution of proceedings in minor violations of the Act whenever he believes that the public 18 19 20 interests will be best served by a suitable notice of warning in writ-21
 - SEC. 8. 1. The penalties provided for violations of section three (3), subsection one (1) of this Act shall not apply to:
 - a. Any carrier while lawfully engaged in transporting a pesticide within this state, if such carrier shall, upon request, permit the secretary or his designated agent to copy all records showing the transactions in and movement of the articles.
 - b. Public officials of this state and the federal government engaged in the performance of their official duties.
 - c. The manufacturer or shipper of a pesticide for experimental use only:
- 11 (1) By or under the supervision of an agency of this state or of the federal government authorized by law to conduct research in the field of pesticides.

- (2) By others if the pesticide is not sold and if the container thereof is plainly and conspicuously marked "for experimental use only—not to be sold", together with the manufacturer's name and address; provided, however, that if a written permit has been obtained from the secretary, pesticides may be sold for experimental purposes subject to such restrictions and conditions as may be set forth in the permit.

 2. No article shall be deemed in violation of this Act when in-
 - 2. No article shall be deemed in violation of this Act when intended solely for export to a foreign country, and when prepared or packed according to the specifications or directions of the purchaser. If not so exported, all the provisions of this Act shall apply.
 - SEC. 9. 1. Any person violating section three (3), subsection one (1), paragraph "a" of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than one hundred (100) dollars.
 - 2. Any person violating any provision of this Act other than section three (3), subsection one (1), paragraph "a" shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than five hundred (500) dollars for the first offense and upon conviction for a subsequent offense shall be fined not more than one thousand (1000) dollars; provided, that any offense committed more than five (5) years after a previous conviction shall be considered a first offense; and provided, further, that in any case where a registrant was issued a warning by the secretary pursuant to the provisions of this Act, such registrant shall upon conviction of a violation of any provision of this Act other than section three (3), subsection one (1), paragraph "a" be fined not more than one thousand (1000) dollars, or imprisoned for not more than one (1) year, or be subject to both such fine and imprisonment; and the registration of the article with reference to which the violation occurred shall terminate automatically. An article, the registration of which has been terminated, may not again be registered unless the article, its labeling, and other material required to be submitted appear to the secretary to comply with all the requirements of this Act.
 - 3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the section, in case any person, with intent to defraud, uses or reveals information relative to formulae of products acquired under authority of section four (4) of this Act, he shall be fined not more than one thousand (1000) dollars or imprisoned for not more than one (1) year, or both.
 - SEC. 10. 1. Any pesticide or device that is distributed, sold, or offered for sale within this state or delivered for transportation or transported in intrastate commerce or between points within this state through any point outside this state shall be liable to be proceeded against in any district court in any county of the state where it may be found and seized for confiscation by condemnation.
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- (1) If it is adulterated or misbranded.
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- 11 (3) If it fails to bear on its label the information required by this 12 Act.
- 13 (4) If it is a white powder pesticide and is not colored as required 14 under this Act.
 - b. In the case of a device, if it is misbranded.
 - 2. If the article is condemned, it shall, after entry of decree, be disposed of by destruction or sale as the court may direct and the proceeds if such article is sold, less legal costs, shall be paid to the state treasurer; provided, that the article shall not be sold contrary to the provisions of this Act; and, provided further, that upon payment of costs and execution and delivery of a good and sufficient bond conditioned that the article shall not be disposed of unlawfully, the court may direct that said article be delivered to the owner thereof for relabeling or reprocessing as the case may be.

 3. When a decree of condemnation is entered against the article,
- 25 3. When a decree of condemnation is entered against the article, 26 court costs and fees and storage and other proper expenses shall be 27 awarded against the person, if any, intervening as claimant of the 28 article.
 - SEC. 11. The secretary is authorized and empowered to co-operate with, and enter into agreements with, any other agency of this state, the United States department of agriculture, and any other state or agency thereof for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act and securing uniformity of regulations.
 - SEC. 12. If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, or the applicability thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the constitutionality of the remainder of this Act and the applicability thereof to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.
 - 1 SEC. 13. This Act shall be effective January 1, 1964.

Approved May 20, 1963.

CHAPTER 140

BOARD OF CONTROL AUTHORITY

H. F. 315

- AN ACT to empower the board of control or an agent designated by the board to exercise at its discretion the authority normally vested in its employees when problems arise.
- Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:
 - SECTION 1. Section two hundred eighteen point one (218.1), Code 1962, is hereby amended by striking lines one (1) through five (5) and enacting in lieu thereof the words:
 - 4 "The board of control or its designee shall have full authority given under statute to control, manage, direct, and operate the following