- 5 with the name and address of the milk plant or hauler in possession 6 of the contents.
- 1 SEC. 4. Section one hundred ninety-two point two (192.2), sub-2 section two (2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 2. To persons who do not sell milk or cream from a stere or vehicle.
- 1 SEC. 5. Section one hundred ninety-two point three (192.3), Code 1971, shall be amended to read as follows:
- 192.3 Fee. The fee for said license shall be three dollars for each place and fer each vehicle from which sales are made. The license shall expire on July 4 after the date of issue and shall not be transferable.
- 1 SEC. 6. Section one hundred ninety-two point four (192.4), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- 192.4 Contents of license. Such license shall be issued only to the person owning or leasing the vehicle er place from which sales are to be made; and each license shall contain the name, residence, and place of business of the licensee.
- 1 SEC. 7. Section one hundred ninety-two point six (192.6), Code 2 1971, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 1049

BONDING SLAUGHTERHOUSES

H. F. 391

AN ACT relating to the bonding of operators of slaughterhouses buying cattle, hogs, or sheep, and the bonding of agents, dealers, or brokers of such operators, and providing a penalty.

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

- SECTION 1. When used in this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 3 1. "Animals" or "livestock" includes cattle, calves, swine, or sheep.
- 2. "Person" means an individual, partnership, association or corporation, or any other business unit.
- 3. "Dealer" or "broker" means any person determined by the department of agriculture to be engaged in the business of slaughtering live animals or receiving or buying live animals for slaughter.
- 9 4. "Agent" means a person engaged in the business of buying 10 livestock for slaughter on behalf of any dealer or broker.
- 11 5. "Department" means the department of agriculture of this 12 state.
 - 1 SEC. 2. No person shall act as a dealer or broker without first
 - 2 being licensed. No agent shall act for any dealer or broker unless
 - 3 such dealer or broker is licensed, has designated such agent to act
- 4 in his behalf, and has notified the department of the designation in

his application for license or has given official notice in writing of the appointment of the agent and requested the department to issue to the agent an agent's license. A dealer or broker shall be accountable and responsible for contracts made by an agent in the course of his employment. The license of an agent whose services are terminated by or with the dealer or broker shall be void on the date 9 10 written notice of termination is received by the department. The 11 license of a dealer, broker, or agent, unless revoked, shall expire on 12 the last day of June following the date of issue. The annual fee for 13 the license of a dealer or broker is twenty-five dollars. The annual 14 15 fee for an agent's license is ten dollars.

SEC. 3. Application for a license as a dealer or broker or as an agent shall be made in writing to the department. The application shall state the nature of the business, the municipal corporation, township and county, the post office address at which the business is to be conducted, and such additional information as the department may prescribe.

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28 29 The applicant upon satisfying the department of his character and good faith in seeking to engage in such business and upon complying with such other requirements specified in this Act, shall be issued by the department a license to conduct the business of a dealer, broker, or agent at the place named in the application.

SEC. 4. No license shall be issued by the department to a dealer or broker until the applicant has furnished proof of financial responsibility. The proof of financial responsibility shall be approved by the department. The proof may be in the following forms:

1. A bond of a surety company authorized to do business in the state of Iowa in the form prescribed by and to the satisfaction of the department, conditioned for the payment of a judgment against the applicant furnishing the bond because of nonpayment of obligations in connection with the purchase of animals.

The amount of bond for an established dealer or broker shall not be less than the nearest multiple of five thousand dollars above twice the average daily value of purchases of livestock, handled by such applicant during the preceding twelve months or such parts thereof as the applicant was purchasing livestock. For the purpose of this computation, two hundred sixty is deemed the number of business days in a year.

If a new dealer or broker not previously covered by this Act applies for a license, the amount of bond shall be based on twice the estimated average daily value of purchases of livestock.

At such time as the daily purchases of livestock by the dealer or broker exceed twice the estimated average daily value of purchases of livestock by more than five percent of the amount of his bond, the dealer or broker shall adjust the amount of the bond to cover livestock purchases.

Whenever the amount of the bond as calculated in this subsection exceeds two hundred thousand dollars, the amount of the bond shall be two hundred thousand dollars plus ten percent of the average daily valuation in excess of two hundred thousand dollars. In no case shall the amount of bond be less than five thousand dollars.

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2. A deposit with the department of the required amount in money or negotiable bonds of the United States or of the state of Iowa or a political subdivision of the state of Iowa of that par or face value, for the purpose of securing the payment of a judgment against the applicant furnishing the deposit because of nonpayment of obligations in connection with the purchase of animals. The deposit shall be made under a deposit agreement prescribed by the department. The amount of the deposit shall be calculated in the exact manner as the amount of a bond as provided in subsection one (1) of this section. The deposit shall not be subject to attachment for any other claim or levy of execution upon a judgment based on any other claims.

Any person damaged by nonpayment of obligations or by any misrepresentation or fraud on the part of a broker or dealer may maintain an action against the broker or dealer and the sureties on the bonds provided for in this section or for the application of the deposit furnished the department. The aggregate liability of the sureties for all such damage shall not exceed the amount of bond. In the event that the aggregate judgments on the bond or the deposit exceed the total amount of such bond or deposit, the amount payable on account of any judgment shall be in the same proportion to the bond or deposit as the individual judgment bears to the aggregate judgments.

Unless the person damaged files his claim with the dealer or broker and the sureties and the department within ninety days from the date of the alleged violation, or within ninety days after the discovery of nonpayment of obligations, fraud, or misrepresentation on the part of the person complained against, the claimant shall be barred from maintaining an action on the bond or for the application of the deposit.

Whenever the department determines that the business volume of the applicant or licensee is such as to render the bond or deposit inadequate, the amount of the bond or deposit shall be, upon notice, adjusted. All bonds or deposit agreements shall contain a provision requiring that at least thirty days' prior notice in writing be given to the department by the party terminating the bonds or deposit agreements in order to effect termination.

The termination of a bond shall not release the parties from any liability arising out of the facts or transactions occurring prior to the termination date.

The termination of a deposit agreement shall neither release the party furnishing the deposit from any liability arising out of acts or transactions occurring prior to the termination date, nor shall the department permit the withdrawal of the deposit until after ninety days of the termination date, and then only if no claims under the agreement have been filed with the department. If any claims have been filed with the department, the withdrawal of the deposit shall not be permitted until the claims have been satisfied or released and evidence of the satisfaction or release filed with the department.

All moneys and securities deposited with the department shall be handled in the following manner:

a. All securities deposited with the department shall remain in its custody.

b. All moneys shall be delivered to the treasurer of state and invested in the manner set forth in section four hundred fifty-two point ten (452.10) of the Code, and he shall not relinquish the moneys except upon the written orders of the department.

The owner shall be entitled to receive all income from moneys and securities so deposited and the department shall issue a receipt for

each deposit setting forth this fact.

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- 3. In lieu of a bond or deposit, the applicant may file an annual sworn financial statement certified by a certified public accountant showing all assets and liabilities. The statement shall show the applicant's current net worth to be not less than five times the amount of the bond or deposit otherwise required by this section. If upon examination of any financial statement the department considers that the applicant has furnished insufficient proof of financial responsibility, a written order may be issued directing the applicant to provide the bond or deposit required by this section. Failure to comply with an order shall be cause for revocation or suspension of license. It shall be unlawful for any officer or employee of the state of Iowa to divulge or to make known in any manner whatever not provided by law to any person the information contained in any financial statement.
- SEC. 5. Any dealer or broker who has a bond required by the United States department of agriculture under the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921 as amended, Title seven (VII), sections one hundred eighty-one (181) through two hundred thirty-one (231), inclusive, United States Code, shall be exempt from the provisions of this Act.
 - SEC. 6. The licensing provisions of this Act shall not apply to any dealer or broker who has a license issued by the department to conduct a food establishment or locker plant and who purchases livestock for slaughter valued at less than an average daily value of one thousand five hundred dollars during the preceding twelve months or such part thereof as the dealer or broker was purchasing livestock. Said licensees are made subject to this Act as to the regulatory and penal provisions hereof. All other provisions of this Act shall apply to said dealers or brokers.
 - SEC. 7. Every dealer or broker shall during all reasonable times permit an authorized representative of the department to examine all records relating to his business necessary in the enforcement of this Act.
 - SEC. 8. The department shall have the power and authority to enter into reciprocal agreements with the authorized representatives of other federal or state jurisdictions for the exchange of information and audit reports on a cooperative basis which may assist the department in the proper administration of this Act.
- SEC. 9. Any person violating any provision of this Act shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than two thousand five hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months, or be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.