# CHAPTER 126

# ABANDONED ANIMALS

#### H. F. 264

AN ACT to allow the destruction of abandoned animals by veterinarians, boarding and commercial kennels.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred sixty-two (162), Code 1975, is

2 amended by adding the following new section:

3 NEW SECTION. Whenever any animal is left with a veterinarian, boarding kennel, or commercial kennel pursuant to a written agree-4 5 ment and the owner does not claim the animal by the agreed date, the 6 animal shall be deemed abandoned, and a notice of abandonment and 7 its consequences shall be sent within seven days by certified mail to the 8 last known address of the owner. For fourteen days after mailing of the 9 notice the owner shall have the right to reclaim the animal upon payment of all reasonable charges, and after the fourteen days the owner shall be deemed to have waived all rights to the abandoned animal. If 10 11 12 despite diligent effort an owner cannot be found for the abandoned animal within another seven days, the veterinarian, boarding kennel, or 13 commercial kennel may humanely destroy the abandoned animal. 14 Each veterinarian, boarding kennel, or commercial kennel shall warn

Each veterinarian, boarding kennel, or commercial kennel shall warn its patrons of the provisions of this section by a conspicuously posted notice or by conspicuous type in a written receipt.

Approved June 16, 1975

# CHAPTER 127

# BOVINE BRUCELLOSIS

### H. F. 870

AN ACT relating to the eradication of bovine brucellosis and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Section one hundred sixty-four point one (164.1), subsection gaven (7). Code 1075 is amonded to read as follows:

tion seven (7), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:
7. "Official calfhood vaccination" shall mean the vaccination of any 2 3 4 female calf of a dairy breed between the ages of four two months and eight six months or any female calf of a beef breed between the ages 5 6 of two months and ten months with brucella abortus vaccine strain number nineteen or such other vaccine as may hereafter be approved 8 by U.S. department of agriculture, which calf shall have been vaccinated by a licensed accredited veterinarian according to the rules established by the department. The officially vaccinated animal shall be 9 10 identified by a vaccination tattoo mark, and ear tag or owner's pure-11 bred identification. Such tattoo mark, ear tag or owner's purebred identification shall be described in a certificate furnished by the at-12 13 14 tending veterinarian.

Within thirty days following such vaccination, the attending veterinarian shall supply the owner with a certificate of vaccination. The  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

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veterinarian shall retain a copy of same and forward a copy to the local office of the U.S. department of agriculture or a copy to the Iowa department of agriculture. The veterinarian certificate covering the official vaccination shall entitle the vaccinated animal to be consigned to sales and exhibited at shows within the state at any time until said animal is thirty months of age.

SEC. 2. Section one hundred sixty-four point three (164.3), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

164.3 Female calves vaccinated. All native female cattle of a dairy breed between the ages of three two and eight six months and all native female cattle of a beef breed between the ages of two months and ten months may be officially vaccinated for brucellosis according to the method approved by the United States department of agriculture. The expense of such vaccination shall be borne in the same manner as set forth in section 164.6.

- SEC. 3. Section one hundred sixty-four point thirteen (164.13), subsection one (1), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:
  - 1. Calves under eight ten months of age, spayed heifers, and steers.

SEC. 4. Section one hundred sixty-four point fourteen (164.14), subsection one (1), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

Female cattle over eight ten months of age, and under twenty-four

Female cattle over eight ten months of age, and under twenty-four months not visibly pregnant may enter the state for feeding purposes to be consigned to a state-approved premises under quarantine. Such cattle as well as native female animals over twenty-four months of age that have been consigned to the lot may be released from the premises if they meet one of the following requirements:

SEC. 5. Section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-one (164.21), unnumbered paragraph three (3), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

In the case of individual payment, all animals shall be individually appraised and the amount of indemnity shall be equal to the difference between the slaughter value and the appraisal price, less the amount of indemnity paid by the United States department of agriculture. The total amount of indemnity paid by the county of origin for a grade animal or a purebred animal shall not exceed two hundred dollars. However, if a purebred animal is purchased and owned for at least one year before testing and the owner can verify the actual cost, the board of supervisors of the county of origin may, by resolution award the payment of an additional indemnification not to exceed five hundred fifty dollars or the actual cost of the animal when purchased, whichever is less.

SEC. 6. Section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-four (164.24), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

164.24 Collection of tax—transfer. Such levy shall be placed upon the tax list by the county auditor and collected by the county treasurer in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of the county. The money derived from such levy shall be placed in a fund to be known as the "County Brucellosis Eradication Fund", and shall be used only for the payment of claims as provided in this chapter, and for payment of the expenses of the inspection and testing program provided in chapter 163A. However, the board of supervisors may transfer any unexpended funds from the county brucellosis eradication fund to the county tuberculosis eradication fund to

13 meet any unpaid obligations of the county tuberculosis eradication 14 fund.

SEC. 7. Section one hundred sixty-five point nineteen (165.19),

Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

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3 Collection—transfer. Such levy shall be placed upon the tax list by the county auditor and collected by the county treasurer in 4 5 the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of the county. The money derived from such levy shall be placed in a fund to be 6known as the county tuberculosis eradication fund, and the same shall 8 only be used for the payment of claims as provided in this chapter and 9 for payment of the expenses of the inspection, testing and indemnification program provided for the eradication of tuberculosis in swine. However, the board of supervisors may transfer any unexpended funds from the county tuberculosis eradication fund to the county 10 11 12 brucellosis eradication fund to meet any unpaid obligations of the 13 14 county brucellosis eradication fund.

There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to 1 2 the department of agriculture for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975 3 and ending June 30, 1976, the sum of fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to make grants to counties to pay the indemnity and the expenses of the inspection and testing of ani-4 5 mals as provided in chapters one hundred sixty-three A (163A) and one hundred sixty-four (164) of the Code. The secretary of agriculture shall 6 not approve a grant under this section to a county unless the board of supervisors has levied the maximum levy for the county brucellosis eradication fund under section one hundred sixty-four point twenty-three (164.23) of the Code for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975 10 11 and ending June 30, 1976 and all funds in the county brucellosis eradi-12 cation fund including all unobligated funds transferred from the coun-13 ty tuberculosis eradication fund, have been expended. 14

Approved July 14, 1975

This Act was passed by the G.A. prior to July 1, 1975; see §3.7 of the Code

# CHAPTER 128

### VETERINARY LAY ASSISTANTS

H. F. 396

AN ACT relating to the issuing of certificates to veterinary lay assistants.

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

SECTION 1. Section one hundred sixty-nine point three (169.3), Code 1975 is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

2 1975, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:
3 NEW PARAGRAPH. Veterinary lay assistants may be issued a certifi4 cate by the secretary of agriculture after proper showing of competency
5 to perform such duties as they shall be assigned, but veterinary lay as6 sistants can only perform duties under the direct supervision of an em-

7 ployer who is a duly licensed veterinarian.

Approved June 3, 1975