

# A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE (2529), TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY (2530) AND TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOUR (2534) OF THE CODE AND TO REPEAL AND ENACT SUBSTITUTES FOR SECTIONS TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE (2533) AND TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHT (2538) THEREOF, RELATING TO THE STATE VETERINARY SURGEON.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That section twenty-five hundred and twenty-nine (2529) of the Code be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "He shall maintain an office at the Capitol in a room assigned for his use by the executive council, and his postage, stationery and office supplies shall be furnished by the state."

Sec. 2. That section twenty-five hundred and thirty (2530) of the Code be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "He may call experts to his assistance when the exigencies of any case demand such action, and may appoint a deputy, who shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars (\$1000) per annum, which shall be paid from the state treasury."

Sec. 3. That section twenty-five hundred and thirty-three (2533) of the Code be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof: "It shall be the duty of all local boards of health in the state, upon the appearance of any contagious or infectious disease among domestic animals, to notify the state veterinary surgeon at once of the existence of such contagious or infectious disease; and it shall be his duty, whenever notified in writing by a majority of any board of supervisors, township trustees, or of any city or town council, whether in session or not, of the existence of, or probable danger from, any contagious or infectious disease among domestic animals, to repair at once to the place designated in such notice, and make an investigation, and take such action as the exigencies of the case may demand. The governor may appoint such assistant state veterinary surgeons as may be deemed advisable, who shall act under the instruction of the state veterinary surgeon, and, when engaged in the discharge of their duties, shall receive the sum of five dollars (\$5) a day and their actual expenses, which compensation and expenses shall be paid from the state treasury upon itemized and verified accounts accompanied with written vouchers, audited and approved by the

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15 executive council."

Sec. 4. That section twenty-five hundred and thirty-four (2534) of the Code be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word "governor" in the fifteenth line of said section, and inserting the words "executive council" in lieu thereof; and by striking out the word "his" in the sixteenth line of said section and inserting the word "their" in lieu thereof.

Sec. 5. That section twenty-five hundred and thirty-eight (2538) of the Code be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted as a substitute therefor: "The state veterinary surgeon shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1800), which shall be paid in equal monthly installments from the state treasury, and shall also receive the actual expenses incurred by him in the discharge of his official duties. All claims for expenses shall be itemized, verified and paid from the state treasury when audited and allowed by the executive council.

Sec. 6. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Daily Capital, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.