

**177A.12 Federal quarantine — seizures.**

1. Until the secretary of agriculture of the United States shall have made a determination that a federal quarantine is necessary, and has duly established the same with reference to any dangerous plant disease or insect infestation, the state entomologist of this state is authorized to promulgate and enforce quarantine regulations prohibiting or restricting the transportation of any class of plant material or product or article into this state from any state, territory or district of the United States, when the entomologist shall have information that a dangerous plant disease or insect infestation exists in such state, territory, district, or portion thereof.

2. The state entomologist, the entomologist's inspectors or duly authorized agents are authorized to seize, destroy, or return to the point of origin any material received in this state in violation of any state quarantine established under the authority of [subsection 1](#), or in violation of any federal quarantine established under the authority of the federal Plant Protection Act, 7 U.S.C. §7701 et seq., or any amendment to that Act.

[C27, 31, 35, §4062-b12; C39, §**4062.12**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, §267.12; C75, 77, 79, 81, §177A.12]

[2006 Acts, ch 1010, §58](#); [2017 Acts, ch 29, §48](#)

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Subsection 2 amended