

STATE FORESTRY COMMISSIONER

R. S. HERRICK, of Des Moines, secretary of the State Horticultural Society, is ex-officio state forestry commissioner, and Prof. G. B. MacDonald, of the forestry department, Iowa state college, Ames, is deputy state forestry commissioner. Both serve without compensation.

The object of the law is to encourage the planting of forest and fruit trees in the state. The act provides that any person owning land in the state may plant or select a tract of land not less than two acres in area for forest reservation, provided there shall not be less than two hundred forest trees growing on each acre and that cattle, horses, mules, sheep, goats and hogs are not permitted on said reservation.

A fruit reservation shall not be less than one or more than ten acres in area and can be claimed for a period of eight years after planting; provided, that there are not less than forty apple trees, or seventy other fruit trees, growing on each acre, under proper care.

Forest and fruit tree reservations are assessed at a taxable value of one dollar an acre.

Any landowner in this state wishing to enter a forest or fruit tree reservation, or both, should do so when the assessor is listing property for assessment.

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Members of the academy are divided into three groups: (1) fellows, who shall be elected from residents of the state of Iowa actively engaged in scientific work; (2) associates, residents of the state of Iowa who are interested in the progress of science, but not direct contributors to original research, and (3) honorary fellows, to be elected by vote from original workers in science in other states.

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