

## CHAPTER 175.

## COUNTY AND DISTRICT FAIRS OR AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

## H. F. 29.

AN ACT to repeal the law as it appears in sections sixteen hundred fifty-eight (1658) and sixteen hundred fifty-nine (1659), supplement to the code, 1913, and section sixteen hundred sixty-one-a (1661-a), supplemental supplement to the code, 1915, and to enact a substitute therefor, relating to state aid granted county and district fairs or agricultural societies.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. Repeal and substitute. That the law as it appears in  
2 section sixteen hundred fifty-eight (1658) and section sixteen hun-  
3 dred fifty-nine (1659) supplement to the code, 1913, and section six-  
4 teen hundred sixty-one-a (1661-a) supplemental supplement to the  
5 code, 1915, be and the same are repealed and the following enacted in  
6 lieu thereof:

1 SEC. 2. Premiums. County and district fair or agricultural soci-  
2 eties may annually offer and award premiums to further the interest  
3 in and to encourage the improvement of live stock, agricultural and  
4 educational products, implements and mechanical devices, articles of  
5 domestic industry and such other articles as they may think proper,  
6 and so regulate the amount thereof and the classification as to induce  
7 general competition.

SEC. 3. Report—state aid—failure to report—diminution of aid.

1 Any county and district fair or agricultural society upon filing with  
2 the secretary of the state board of agriculture a report as herein pro-  
3 vided for shall be entitled to receive from the state treasury a sum  
4 equal to seventy per cent (70%) of the first one thousand dollars  
5 (\$1,000) and sixty per cent (60%) of all subsequent amounts in excess  
6 of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) paid in cash premiums at its annual  
7 fair for the current year, but in no case shall the amount paid to any  
8 fair or society exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) in  
9 any one year.

10 When any county and district fair or agricultural society fails to  
11 report, according to law, on or before the first day of November, that  
12 fair or society shall not receive a warrant from the state auditor for  
13 that year, but the secretary of the state board of agriculture shall  
14 notify the county auditor of the county in which the fair or society is  
15 located of such failure and the board of supervisors may appoint a  
16 delegate to the state agricultural convention, said delegate to be a  
17 resident of said county, and any county or district fair or agricultural  
18 society failing to have an accredited delegate in attendance at the  
19 state agricultural convention the second Wednesday in December of  
20 the year in which said fair was held shall have the amount of state  
21 aid which it would otherwise receive diminished in the sum of one  
22 hundred dollars (\$100).

1 SEC. 4. State board of agriculture—statements filed with—list of  
2 awards, etc. On or before the first day of November of each year the  
president, secretary and treasurer of each county and district fair or

3 agricultural society claiming the benefit under this act, shall file with  
4 the secretary of the state board of agriculture a sworn statement of  
5 the actual amount of cash premiums paid at the fair of the current  
6 year, which must correspond with the published offer of premiums and  
7 a further sworn statement that none of the amounts were paid for  
8 speed events, or to secure games or amusements, and that no gambling  
9 devices, sale of intoxicating liquor, or other violations of the law were  
10 permitted on the grounds of such county and district fair or agricul-  
11 tural society. The said statement shall also contain a full and com-  
12 plete statement of receipts and expenditures and other statistical data  
13 relative to exhibits and attendance for the current year.

14 Each county and district fair or agricultural society shall annually  
15 publish an itemized list of the awards, and a financial statement of  
16 receipts and disbursements for the current year in one or more news-  
17 papers of the county. A copy of the published list of awards and  
18 financial statement, with proof of publication, shall accompany the  
19 statement filed with the secretary of the state board of agriculture.

1 SEC. 5. Warrants by state auditor conditional. The auditor of state  
2 is hereby authorized and directed to draw warrants on the state  
3 treasurer for the funds hereinabove appropriated in favor of the sev-  
4 eral county and district fairs or agricultural societies who shall have  
5 complied with the provisions of this act. The auditor of state, before  
6 issuing a state warrant in favor of such county and district fair or  
7 agricultural society for any amount shall demand the certificate of the  
8 secretary of the state board of agriculture that said fair or society  
9 has filed a report as provided for in this act, and upon the receipt of  
10 said certificate the auditor of state shall issue his warrant for the  
11 amount to which said fair or society is entitled, less the sum of one  
12 hundred dollars (\$100), which amount shall be withheld and paid to  
13 said fair or society by warrant of the state auditor only upon certifi-  
14 cate of the secretary of the state board of agriculture that said fair  
15 or society had an accredited delegate in attendance upon the state  
16 agricultural convention as hereinbefore required.

SEC. 6. Bona-fide exhibition—incorporation under state laws.  
1 Wherever the term "county and district fair or agricultural society"  
2 occurs in this act it shall be held to mean a bona-fide exhibition of live  
3 stock, together with agricultural products and farm implements and  
4 one duly incorporated under the laws of the state of Iowa.

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