

Treasurer from said sale of grass and timber in their respective counties. All permits shall be paid for in advance.

REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict, or inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Whereas, It is necessary that a law fully providing for the control and management of all public lands of this state and defining the powers and duties of the board of university and school lands and its agents be in effect immediately, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved February 24th, 1897.

VETERINARIANS.

CHAPTER 146.

[H. B. 149.]

VETERINARIAN DISTRICTS.

AN ACT to Amend Sections 1595 and 1596 of the Revised Codes of North Dakota, by Dividing the State Into Nine Veterinarian Districts.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That sections 1595 and 1596 of the Revised Codes of North Dakota be amended as follows:

§ 1595. DIVISION OF STATE INTO DISTRICTS.] The state shall be divided into nine veterinarian districts, in each of which there shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one competent veterinarian who shall be known as the district veterinarian, who shall hold his office for a term of two years from the date of his appointment unless sooner removed for cause, and who upon entering upon his duties shall take an oath well and truly to perform his duties as provided by law, which oath shall be taken before any judge of the district court or notary public within the district of the state for which he is appointed, and shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

§ 1596. DISTRICT DEFINED.] District number one shall consist of the first judicial district.

District number two shall consist of the counties of Ramsey, Towner, Rolette, Bottineau and Williams.

District number three shall consist of the third judicial district.

District number four shall consist of the fourth judicial district.

District number five shall consist of the counties of Stutsman, Barnes, LaMoure, Griggs, Foster, Eddy and Wells.

District number six shall consist of all the counties of the sixth

judicial district lying and being upon the west side of the Missouri river, and that portion of the Sioux Indian reservation lying north of the seventh standard parallel.

District number seven shall consist of the seventh judicial district.

District number eight shall consist of all the counties of the sixth judicial district lying and being upon the east side of the Missouri river, and the county of Logan.

District number nine shall consist of the remaining counties in the second judicial district.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency existing in that owing to the large and rapidly increasing stock interests in the second and sixth veterinarian districts it is necessary that said districts be divided and another veterinarian be appointed; *therefore*, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 4th, 1897.

CHAPTER 147.

[S. B. 67.]

DUTIES OF DISTRICT VETERINARIAN.

AN ACT to Amend Sections 1598 and 1599 of the Revised Codes of the State of North Dakota, Relating to the Duties of District Veterinarian.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That section 1598 of the Revised Codes of the State of North Dakota be amended to read as follows:

§ 1598. DUTIES OF DISTRICT VETERINARIANS.] The duties of district veterinarians shall be:

1. To investigate in person any or all cases of contagious, infectious and epidemic diseases among cattle, horses, mules, sheep, asses and other domestic animals within his district of which he may have knowledge, and which may be brought to his notice by any resident, or any other person, in any locality within his district where such disease may exist, and it shall also be his duty in the absence of specific information to make visits of inspection to any locality within his district where he may have reason to believe that there are contagious or infectious diseases existing among such domestic animals.

2. To seize and inspect at the State line bordering on his district, or at any point within his district, any horses, mules, cattle, asses or sheep which may be driven into or unloaded at any point within such district to graze or run at large upon any of the lands within this State, and for such seizure and inspection such veterinarian shall collect the fees fixed by law, together with all costs

and expenses of seizing and holding such animals, and such fees and costs shall become a lien upon such animals, which, if not paid within five days after such seizure and inspection shall be completed, may be foreclosed by such veterinarian in the same manner as other liens upon personal property, and until such inspection shall be fully completed and such animals released by such veterinarian, they must be confined by the owner, agent or person in charge of such animals, to a reasonable space to be designated by such veterinarian; *Provided, however,* that if such veterinarian shall become satisfied by an examination of health certificates issued by a duly authorized veterinarian or examiner of the State from which such animals were shipped, that such animals are in good health and have not been exposed to any contagious, infectious or epidemic disease, such veterinarian may allow such animals to graze or run at large within such State, upon payment to him of mileage at the rate of ten cents per mile for each mile actually and necessarily traveled by him to make such inspection, and five dollars per day for each day necessarily spent by him in going to the place of such inspection.

3. To examine in person, as often as he may deem reasonable, all pens, inclosures and cars within the district within which domestic animals may be confined or transported, and to require the owner, agent or person in charge of all such pens, inclosures and cars, to keep the same in proper sanitary condition.

4. To require in person the owner, agent or person in charge of all pens, inclosures and cars within which domestic animals may be confined or transported to cleanse, fumigate and disinfect the same within two days after written notice when, in his opinion such cleansing, fumigation and disinfection shall be necessary for the prevention of the spread or outbreak of any contagious or infectious disease among the animals.

5. To seize and inspect all domestic animals coming into and remaining within his district without a certificate of the health of such animals from a duly authorized state or district veterinarian or examiner of the state from which said animals have been shipped, or which he has reason to believe have contracted any infectious or contagious disease or have been exposed thereto, and such veterinarian shall be entitled to charge therefor the per diem and mileage prescribed in subdivision 2 of this section and enforce collection thereof as is therein provided. But where the owner is a resident of this state importing such animals for breeding purposes or the ordinary purpose of husbandry and has notified the district veterinarian of the time and place where the same may be inspected, and they are found free from any infectious or contagious disease, the inspection shall be made free of fee, per diem or mileage to the owner.

§ 2. AMENDMENT.] That section 1599 of the Revised Codes be amended to read as follows:

§ 1599. SEIZURE OF ANIMALS.] Whenever any domestic

animals are seized and inspected under the provisions of this article by the district veterinarian while such animals are being transported in cars or shipboard or brought into the state in any other manner, the district veterinarian making such seizure and inspection shall require the owner, agent or person in charge of such animals to pay five cents each for the inspection of sheep, fifteen cents each for the inspection of cattle, and one dollar each for the inspection of horses, mules or asses. One-half of the money so collected shall be immediately transferred to the Chief State Veterinarian, together with a detailed report of the seizure and inspection, and it shall be the duty of the chief veterinarian to transmit monthly all money collected as inspection fees under the provisions of this article to the State Treasurer who shall receipt to the Chief State Veterinarian. All such fees shall be paid by the State Treasurer into the general fund and one-half shall be immediately transferred to the county treasurer of the county in which such inspection was made, and the county treasurer shall place all money so received in the general county fund and the county treasurer shall receipt to the district veterinarian; *Provided*, that no inspection shall be made by any district veterinarian of any domestic animals in transit through the state without special instructions from the Chief State Veterinarian where the owner, agent or person in charge thereof shall produce certificates of health of such animals from a duly authorized veterinarian or examiner of the state from which such animals have been shipped.

§ 3. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, An emergency exists in that there is no adequate law providing for the inspection of sheep in this state, and it is necessary for the protection of the sheep, cattle and other animals in the state that such a law be in effect long prior to July 1 of this year, therefore this law shall go into effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 10, 1897.