

Purpose.

basis with the United States Geological Survey for the purpose of obtaining additional basic information needed for an intelligent inventory of water resources in the State of Washington. Disbursements from the stream gaging fund shall be on vouchers approved by the Supervisor of Hydraulics and the District Engineer of the United States Geological Survey.

How disbursed.

Passed the House February 4, 1943.

Passed the Senate February 19, 1943.

Approved by the Governor February 25, 1943.

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## CHAPTER 31.

[ H. B. 175. ]

### ESTRAYS. NOTIFICATION TO OWNERS.

AN ACT in relation to estrays providing for Auditor to notify owner of estrays found and form of notice; amending section 4, chapter 23, Laws of 1905 (section 3157, Remington's Revised Statutes; section 1990, Pierce's Code).

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Amending ch. 23, Laws of 1905.

SECTION 1. That section 4, chapter 23, Laws of 1905 (section 3157, Remington's Revised Statutes; section 1990, Pierce's Code), be amended to read as follows:

Auditor shall examine records.

Section 4. Immediately upon registering any animal as found, the Auditor shall examine the record of "Estrays Lost" and if the animal found appears thereon, or if the animal bears a brand, the Auditor shall inquire of the State Director of Agriculture as to the record ownership of said brand, and if the animal found appears in the record of "Estrays Lost" or found to have a registered brand the Auditor shall immediately notify the owner by mailing him a notice addressed to the postoffice desig-

Notice to owner.

nated opposite his name on the record, which notice shall contain the information appearing in the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth columns of the record, and shall require the owner to appear within twenty days from the date of such notice and pay all charges and take the said animal into his possession.

Contents of notice.

The several County Auditors shall keep on hand blank forms of such notice which shall be substantially as follows: ..... To ....., Washington.

Form of notice.

You are hereby notified that your (here state the kind of animal), color ....., branded ....., earmarked ....., otherwise marked ....., has been taken up and by ....., and is now at ..... and unless you pay all charges against the said stray, and take possession thereof within twenty days from this date, the same will be sold according to law.

Dated this ..... day of ....., 19.....

P. O. Address .....

..... Auditor.

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