

CHAPTER 26.

[S. B. No. 16.]

AMENDING ACT RELATIVE TO STATE VETERINARY SURGEON.

AN ACT to amend section 1 of and adding section 2½ and section 4½ to an act entitled "An act providing for the creation of the office of State Veterinary Surgeon and defining his duties," approved March 22, 1895.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1 of an act approved March 22, 1895, entitled "An act providing for the creation of the office of the State Veterinary Surgeon and defining his duties," be and the same is hereby amended to read as fol-

Office created.

lows: Section 1. There shall be and is hereby created the office of State Veterinarian, whose office shall be vested in the professor of Veterinary Science of the Agricultural College and Experiment Station, who shall be chosen in the same manner as other members of the faculty and station staff of said college and station, and shall serve as State Veterinarian without compensation in addition to the salary paid by the college and experiment station. The

Veterinarian to be skilled graduate.

Veterinary Surgeon shall be a graduate of some regular and established veterinary college and shall be skilled in veterinary science. He shall be a member of the State Board of Health, which membership shall be in addition to that now provided for by law. He shall be under the direction of the president of the State Agricultural College and Director of the Experiment Station and School of Science, and perform such duties as the Board of Regents may prescribe. When actually engaged in the discharge of his official duties outside the said college and experiment station he shall receive, in addition to his salary, actual traveling expenses, which shall be presented to the president of the college under oath and covered with

Traveling expenses.

Expenses for office.

written vouchers before receiving the same. He shall also be allowed the clerical assistance, express, postage, and incidentals necessary for the proper and efficient conduct of his office. He shall receive as salary such compensatio.r

Salary.

as the Regents of the State Agricultural College may determine.

SEC. 2. That section 2½ be added to read as follows: Section 2½. Quarantine shall mean the placing and re-^{Quarantine.}straining of any animal or animals by the owners or agents in charge of them within certain enclosures described or designated by such owner or owners or agent in charge of such animals in writing by the State Veterinary Surgeon. Any owner or owners or agent who fails to comply with or wilfully violates or negligently allows such quarantine to be violated by the escape and running at large of the quarantined animals shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished accordingly.

SEC. 3. That section 4½ be added to read as follows: ^{Duty of veterinary surgeons—to report.} Section 4½. It shall be the duty of every graduate veterinary surgeon and every person professing to be a veterinary surgeon practicing their profession within this state to report to the State Veterinary Surgeon immediately upon the discovery thereof the existence or suspected existence among domestic animals within the State of any of the following diseases: Glanders, Tuberculosis, Actinomyces, Hog Cholera, Swine Plague, Anthrax, Contagious Keratitis, Stomatitis, Pustulosa Contagiosa, Scabies, Contagious Abortion and Rabies. In the event of the failure or refusal on the part of the above named persons to so do he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished accordingly.

Passed the Senate January 29, 1903.

Passed the House February 24, 1903.

Approved by the Governor February 27, 1903.