

CHAPTER 198.

[H. B. 219.]

DISEASES AND QUARANTINE OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

AN ACT relating to the diseases and quarantine of domestic animals, amending Sections 3110, 3111 and 3115, Remington's Compiled Statutes.

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

SECTION 1. That section 3110, Remington's Compiled Statutes, be amended to read as follows:

Amends § 2032, Pierce's Code.

Section 3110. On the written application of the owner of any bovine animal to the director of agriculture for the examination and testing of such animal to ascertain whether the same is infected with tuberculosis, it shall be the duty of the director of agriculture to cause such examination and test to be made: *Provided*, That on the written application of the owners of the majority of bovine animals, as shown by the last assessment roll, in any county to the director of agriculture for the examination and testing of such animals to ascertain whether the same are infected with tuberculosis, it shall be the duty of the director of agriculture, to cause a test to be made of all the bovine animals within that county as soon thereafter as consistent with the departmental policy of tuberculosis eradication. The inspector of the department of agriculture making the examination and test shall be a veterinarian duly licensed to practice veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry in this state, and shall qualify by giving a bond to the state of Washington with sufficient surety to be approved by the director of agriculture in the penal sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00); *Provided*, That the veterinary inspectors of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry may be appointed by the director of agriculture to make the

Tests for tuberculin infection.

Application of owners for test.

Veterinary inspector.

Bond.

Federal veterinary inspectors.

Act without bond or compensation.

Rules and regulations.

Bond of veterinarian.

Stock owners may select veterinary inspector.

Expenses of test.

Agriculture department may test.

Amends § 2033, Pierce's Code.

Indemnity or quarantine optional.

Indemnity if infected animals slain.

Appraisal.

examination and tuberculin test as herein provided, and when so employed they shall act without bond or compensation, and shall possess the same power and authority in this state as the inspector of the department of agriculture: *Provided, further,* That such examination and test shall be made subject to rules and regulations of the department of agriculture. Every such veterinarian authorized to make such examination and test, shall before making any such examination or test furnish and file with the department of agriculture a good and sufficient bond in the penal sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00), payable to the state of Washington, conditioned that he will faithfully and honestly perform and discharge any work which he is authorized to undertake under this act. Should the owner or owners of any cattle desire to select a duly licensed and accredited veterinarian, approved by the director of agriculture for making such examination and test in accordance with the provisions of this act, the owner or owners shall pay all expenses in connection with said examination and test. *And provided further,* That the director of agriculture or his authorized agent may cause a test to be made of any bovine animal exposed to or suspected of having tuberculosis.

SEC. 2. That Section 3111, Remington's Compiled Statutes, be amended to read as follows:

Section 3111. On such examination and test being completed if the inspector shall believe that the animal is infected with tuberculosis, the owner of the animal shall have the option of indemnity or quarantine; if he selects indemnity the owner and inspector shall appraise the suspected animal, and in the appraisal of such animal due consideration shall be given to its breeding, dairy or meat value. In the event of their failing to agree upon the value, the inspector shall apply to the judge of the superior

court of the county where the animal or animals are located to appoint a third appraiser. Each owner or agent of tuberculosis cattle which have been appraised shall market the cattle within thirty days from date of appraisal and shall obtain from the purchaser a report in quadruplicate, blank forms for which shall be furnished said owner, or agent, by the inspector of the department of agriculture, certifying as to the amount of money actually paid for the animals. The animal or animals shall be slaughtered under the supervision of a veterinary inspector of the department of agriculture, or the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, or a veterinarian duly licensed to practice veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry in this state. The veterinary inspector or veterinarian shall hold a post mortem examination and determine whether or not the animal shall be passed to be used for food. The post mortem examination must conform with the meat inspection regulations of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry. Upon receipt of said report, in quadruplicate, certifying as to the amount of money actually paid for the animal or animals, and if the owner has complied with all lawful quarantine laws or regulations, the department of agriculture shall cause to be paid to the owner of the animal or animals one-third of the difference between the appraised value of each animal so destroyed and the value of the salvage thereof: *Provided*, That in no case shall any payment by the department of agriculture be more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for any grade female, or more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for any pure bred registered bull or female, and in no case will any indemnity be paid on grade bulls or steers. Every appraiser appointed by the judge of the superior court shall receive his actual and necessary traveling expenses and a *per diem* of three dollars (\$3.00) for the time

Sale.

Supervision of slaughter.

Post mortem.

Meat inspection regulations.

Report.

Reimbursement of owner.

Compensation of appraisers.

No indemnity if imported into state.

Proceeds of sale of slaughtered imported animals.

No indemnity to U. S., state or municipal corporation.

Expenses chargeable to owner.

Amends § 2037, Pierce's Code.

Quarantine defined.

Quarantine districts.

Breaking quarantine unlawful.

Permit for removal.

actually spent, to be paid by the state. No indemnity shall be paid for cattle slaughtered on account of tuberculosis to any person who has not owned such cattle for six months (6) prior to the date such examination or test is made: *And provided, further,* That the state shall not be required to pay the owner of any animal imported into this state within six months prior to the inspection and test the sums hereinabove provided for, but the owner of such animal shall receive the proceeds of the sale of such slaughtered animal: *And provided, further,* That the right to indemnity shall not exist nor shall payment be made for any animal owned by the United States, this state or any county, city or village in this state: *And provided, further,* That the expense of herding, caring for, feeding and transporting or slaughtering all animals under these provisions shall be paid by the owner thereof.

SEC. 3. That Section 3115, Remington's Compiled Statutes, be amended to read as follows:

Section 3115. Quarantine shall mean the placing and restraining of any animal or animals by the owners or agents in charge of them within a certain enclosure described or designated in writing, by the director of agriculture, or his duly authorized agent or agents, and thereafter it shall be unlawful for the owner or owners of the animal or animals quarantined, their agents or employees, to break such quarantine or to move or to allow to be moved any of such animals from within the quarantined area, or across the quarantine line as established, without first obtaining a permit, in writing, from the director of agriculture, or his duly authorized agent. Animals that are officially declared in quarantine shall at any and all times be kept separate and apart from all other live stock and not allowed to have anything in common with other live stock. It shall be unlaw-

ful to sell, exchange or in any other way part with the products of said animals, unless permission is first obtained, in writing, from the director of agriculture, or his duly authorized agent. Any owner or owners or agent who fails to comply with or wilfully violates or negligently allows such quarantine to be violated shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sale of products of quarantined animals prohibited.

The director of agriculture shall have power:

(a) To promulgate and enforce such reasonable rules, regulations and orders as he may deem necessary or proper to prevent the introduction or spreading of infectious, contagious, communicable or dangerous diseases affecting live stock in this state, and to this end to promulgate and enforce such reasonable rules, regulations and orders as he may deem necessary or proper governing inspections and tests of all live stock within or intended for importation into this state.

Rules and regulations to prevent spreading of disease affecting live stock, etc.

(b) To promulgate and enforce such reasonable rules, regulations and orders as he may deem necessary or proper for the inspection, testing and quarantine of all live stock within or imported into this state, and to enforce an inter-county embargo or quarantine to prevent the shipment, trailing, transporting or movement of cattle from a county that has not had a county-wide test into a county which has had a county-wide test unless the animals are accompanied by a negative certificate of tuberculin test from a duly authorized veterinary inspector of the state department of agriculture or the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, or an accredited veterinarian within sixty (60) days last prior to admission into said county.

Tuberculin inspection, testing and quarantine.

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