

CHAPTER 232 — S.F.No. 652

An act relating to agriculture; adopting recommended federal rules relating to milk quality for manufacturing purposes; providing for phase in of inspections and compliance; authorizing reimbursements to certain dairy producers for expenditures to comply with the rules; appropriating money; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 32.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. [32.415] MILK FOR MANUFACTURING; QUALITY STANDARDS.

In order to provide uniform quality standards, producers of milk used for manufacturing purposes shall conform to the standards contained in Subparts D and F of the United States Department of Agriculture Consumer and Marketing Service Recommended Requirements for Milk for Manufacturing Purposes and its Production and Processing, Vol. 37 Federal Register, No. 68, Part II, April 7, 1972, with the following exceptions:

- (a) inspections of producers shall begin not later than January 1, 1984;
- (b) producers shall comply with the standards not later than July 1, 1985, except as otherwise allowed under the standards; and
- (c) the commissioner shall develop methods by which producers can comply with the standards without violation of religious beliefs. The commissioner may adopt rules, including temporary rules, for the purpose of this clause.

The commissioner of agriculture shall perform or contract for the performance of the inspections necessary to implement this section or shall certify dairy industry personnel to perform the inspections.

The commissioner and other employees of the department shall make every reasonable effort to assist producers in achieving the milk quality standards at minimum cost and to use the experience and expertise of the University of Minnesota and the agricultural extension service to assist producers in achieving the milk quality standards in the most cost-effective manner.

The commissioner of agriculture shall consult with producers, processors, and others involved in the dairy industry in order to prepare for the implementation of this section including development of informational and educational materials, meetings, and other methods of informing producers about the implementation of standards under this section.

Sec. 2. [32.417] INVESTMENT REIMBURSEMENTS TO MANUFACTURED MILK PRODUCERS.

An operator of a dairy farm that produces milk for sale in cans may apply for a reimbursement in the amount of \$100 for the first \$500 or fraction thereof, and ten percent of the next \$2,000, of the net expenditures by the operator for

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any capital improvements or equipment installed primarily for the purpose of conforming to the standards adopted in section 1. No reimbursement may be made to an applicant unless:

(a) the applicant provides receipts for the expenditures;

(b) a dairy inspector authorized by the commissioner certifies that the applicant's dairy operation complies with the standards adopted in section 1 as a result of the installation of the improvements or equipment; and

(c) the expenditures for the improvements and equipment were made on or after the effective date of this section but before July 1, 1985.

The commissioner shall provide an application form for the reimbursement program. By January 1, 1984, the commissioner shall adopt temporary rules under sections 14.29 to 14.36 which provide reimbursement application and payment procedures, and eligibility criteria based on an applicant's need for a reimbursement. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14.35, the rules shall be effective until July 1, 1985. No reimbursement application may be approved after June 30, 1985.

Sec. 3. APPROPRIATIONS.

Subdivision 1. INVESTMENT REIMBURSEMENT. \$300,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of agriculture for the biennium ending June 30, 1985 for reimbursements under section 2.

Subd. 2. ADMINISTRATION. \$30,800 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, for administrative expenses incurred to implement the provisions of this act. The approved complement of the department is increased by one full-time unclassified position.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment. Section 3 is effective July 1, 1983.

Approved June 1, 1983

CHAPTER 233 — S.F.No. 684

An act relating to mortgage registry tax; providing for a valid and recordable security in a variable debt instrument; waiving mortgage registry tax for marriage dissolution instruments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1982, sections 287.01, subdivision 3; 287.03; and 287.04.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 287.01, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

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