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CHAPTER 188.

AN ACT amending section 1494f of the statutes of 1898 by increasing the appropriation for inspection of apiaries to seven hundred dollars.

The people of the state of Wisconsin represented in senate and assembly do enact as follows:

Inspector, duties; compensation. SECTION 1. Section 1494f of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by striking out the words "five hundred dollars" where they occur in the last line thereof and insert in lieu of the words so stricken out the words "seven hundred dollars," so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 1494f. The governor may appoint for a term of two years a state inspector of apiaries. Said inspector shall, when notified of the existence of the disease known as foul brood among apiaries, examine all such as are so reported and all others in the same locality and ascertain whether or not such disease exists, and if satisfied of its existence shall give the owner or person who has the care of such apiaries full instructions as to the manner of treating them. Within a reasonable time after making such examination the inspector shall make another examination thereof, and if the condition of any of them is such as in his judgment renders it necessary he may burn all the colonies of bees and all the comb necessary to prevent the spread of the disease. Such inspector shall, before such burning, give the notice provided for in and otherwise proceed pursuant to the provisions of section 1492b. The inspector shall make at the close of each calendar year a report to the governor stating the number of apiaries visited, the number of those diseased and treated, the number of colonies of bees destroyed and of the expenses incurred in the performance of his duties. Said inspector shall receive four dollars for each day actually and necessarily spent in the performance of his duties and be reimbursed the money expended by him in defraying his expenses; provided, that the total expenditure for such purposes shall not exceed seven hundred dollars per year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved May 11, 1903.