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## CHAPTER 143.

AN ACT to amend section one thousand four hundred and eighty of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the prevention of the spread of noxious seeds.

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

Amended.

SECTION 1. Section one thousand four hundred and eighty of the revised statutes of 1878, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "dragon," and before the word "Canada," the following: "*(antirrhinum orontium)*, cocklebur (*xanthium strumarium*)," so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: Section

Noxious weeds

1480. Every person and every corporation shall destroy upon all lands which he or it shall occupy all weeds of the kinds known as snapdragon (*antirrhinum orontium*), cocklebur (*xanthium strumarium*), Canada thistle and burdock, at such time and in such manner as shall effectually prevent their bearing seed. Every overseer of highways shall also, in like time and manner, destroy all such weeds that may grow, either on the highway of his road district or on any unoccupied lands therein, or on any occupied lands therein which the occupant thereof shall neglect to so destroy. For so doing, such overseer shall have such compensation, payable out of the town treasury, as the town board, upon the presentation of his account therefor, verified by his oath, and specifying by separate items the charges against each piece of land, describing the same, shall deem reasonable; and the respective amounts so paid, except for the destruction of such weeds upon highways, shall be placed on the next tax roll, in a separate column headed "for destruction of weeds," as a tax against the lands upon which such weeds were destroyed, and be collected as other taxes, and the entry of such tax on the tax roll shall be conclusive evidence of the land so taxed to such tax.

Duty and compensation of overseer of highways.

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

Approved March 9, 1880.