

attachment and proceedings for contempt as in case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from such court or a refusal to testify therein. No person shall be excused from testifying or from producing any evidence on such hearing or investigation for the reason that the testimony or evidence, documentary or otherwise, required of him may tend to incriminate him, but no person so testifying shall be prosecuted for or on account of any transaction, matter or thing concerning which he may have so testified or produced any documentary evidence.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 446.

AN ACT to amend section 1463 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 274 of the laws of 1901, and section 1464 of the statutes of 1898, so as to render state aid to all agricultural fairs, definite and uniform.

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

**State aid to be based on cash premiums paid.** SECTION 1. Section 1463 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 274 of the laws of 1901, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1463.\* *There shall be paid within ten days after the first day of February, out of the state treasury, to each organized agricultural society, association, or board in the state, which shall have substantially complied with the following conditions, forty per centum of the total amount of premiums thereby paid at its annual fair for the preceding year, provided that in computing the amount upon which such per centum is to be paid, not more than one-half thereof shall have been paid for trials or exhibitions of speed, or other contest, for which pub-*

\*Entire section rewritten.

*lished premiums have been offered. On or before the first day of February, in each year, the president and secretary of each society, association, or board, claiming state aid, shall file with the secretary of state a sworn statement of the actual amount of cash premiums and purses paid at the fair of the preceding season, which premiums and purses, must correspond with the published offers of premiums and purses, and a further statement that at such fair, all gambling devices whatsoever, and the sale of intoxicating liquors had been prohibited and excluded from the fair grounds, and all adjacent grounds under their authority or control. Such statement shall be accompanied by an itemized list of all premiums and purses paid, upon which such forty per centum payment is claimed, a copy of published premium list and speed list of fair, and a full statement of receipts and disbursements for the past year, duly verified by the secretary. Copies of such statements shall be deposited with the secretary of state and the secretary of the state board of agriculture. Such money shall be paid to the treasurer of the society, association, or board, upon his receipt, countersigned by the secretary. Provided, that the amounts to be paid to any such organized agricultural society, association or board, during any year, shall not exceed the following amounts, to-wit:—to the State Board of Agriculture the sum of ten thousand dollars, to the Northern Wisconsin State Fair or the La Crosse Inter-State Fair Association, the sum of five thousand dollars each, and to any county agricultural society or other association or board above mentioned, the sum of one thousand and seven hundred dollars each.*

**Repealed.** SECTION 2. Sections 1458c of the statutes of 1898, 1458d of the statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 356 of the laws of 1901, and chapter 337 of the laws of 1901, as amended by chapter 290 of the laws of 1903, are hereby repealed.

**Moneys how expended.** SECTION 3. Section 1464 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1464. All moneys received by any such society, association, or board, either from the state or any other source, after paying the necessary incidental expenses thereof, shall be paid out annually for premiums awarded, in such sums and in such way and manner as its by-laws, rules and regulations shall direct, on such live animals, articles of production, agricultural implements and tools, domestic manufactures, mechanical implements and productions as are the growth and manufacture of the district which such society, association or board represents, \* \* \*

but live *stock*, the growth of any other county, state or country, \* \* \* may receive the same premiums as those which are the growth of *the district where fair is located, should the society, association or board governing so decide.*

**Conflicting acts repealed.** SECTION 4. All acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 447.

AN ACT relating to the privileges of witnesses and of evidence in certain actions brought by the state.

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

**Witnesses and evidence.** SECTION 1. No railroad or street railway corporation, now, heretofore or hereafter, operating a railway or railroad in this state, shall be excused from producing books, papers, tariffs, contracts, agreements, records, files or documents, in its possession, or under its control, in obedience to the subpoena of any court or officer authorized to issue subpoenas, in any civil action which is now or hereafter may be pending, brought by the state against it to recover license fees, taxes, penalties or forfeitures, or to enforce forfeitures, on the ground or for the reason that the testimony or evidence, documentary or otherwise, required of it, may subject it to a penalty or forfeiture, or be excused from making a true answer under oath, by and through its properly authorized officer or agent, when required by law to make such answer to any pleading in any such civil action upon any such ground or for such reason.