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## CHAPTER 359.

AN ACT to amend subsection 1 of section 1636r and to create section 1636km and subsection (10) of section 20.60 of the statutes, relating to county humane societies and a state humane agent, and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection 1 of section 1636r of the statutes is amended to read: (Section 1636r) 1. Any sheriff, constable, village marshal, police officer or agent of \* \* \* any humane society may remove, shelter and care for any horse or other animal found to be cruelly exposed to the weather, starved, neglected or abandoned, and may deliver such animal to another person to be sheltered, cared for and given medical attention, if necessary; but in all cases the owner, if known, shall be immediately notified; and such officer, or other person, having possession of the animal shall have a lien thereon for its care, keeping and medical attention and the expense of notice.

SECTION 2. A new section is added to the statutes and a new subsection is added to section 20.60 to read: Section 1636km. 1. The commissioner of agriculture shall appoint a state humane agent who shall have the powers of a police officer and constable in the cities and counties of this state into which his work may carry him and shall superintend and assist in the organization of humane societies in the several counties and shall administer and enforce the laws relating to humane education and the prevention of cruelty to animals.

2. The term of the state humane agent first appointed under the provisions of this section shall expire on the first Monday in February, 1923. The term of each state humane agent thereafter appointed shall be four years and shall expire on the first Monday of February and each state humane agent appointed shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualifies. For the purpose of securing advice and assistance in the selection of a suitable person as state humane agent and in fixing an adequate compensation for such agent, the commissioner of agriculture shall confer with representatives of existing county humane societies of this state.

3. The state humane agent shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the commissioner of agriculture and shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties.

(20.60) (10) STATE HUMANE AGENT. On July 1, 1919, not to exceed six thousand dollars to carry out the provisions of section 1636km.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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### CHAPTER 360.

AN ACT to create section 1799b of the statutes, relating to terminal delays in the shipment of live stock and providing a penalty.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 1799b. 1. No corporation operating a railroad shall detain in any freight terminal in this state, not the point of origin, for more than five hours any car load or car loads of live stock in transit from any point in Wisconsin to any point beyond said terminal, except when prevented from moving the same by severe storms, other unpreventable conditions, or by any statute of the state of Wisconsin or the United States.

2. Any such corporation violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars for each offense, besides the cost of the action, and in addition shall be liable for all damages resulting in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, from such violation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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### CHAPTER 361.

AN ACT to repeal section 1946d of the statutes and to create a new section to be numbered section 1946d of the statutes, relating to the cancellation of insurance policies.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1946d of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. A new section is added to the statutes to be numbered and to read: Section 1946d. Any company, association