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CHAPTER 638

AN ACT to create 20.005 (1) (b) (line 101a), 20.60 (7) and 97.43 of the statutes, relating to grading and labeling of butter, and making an appropriation.

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

Section 1. 20.005 (1) (b) (line 101a) of the statutes is created to read:

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101a. Butter grading 8,500

17,500

Section 2. 20.60 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

20.60 (7) Butter grading. On January 1, 1954, \$8,500 and annually beginning July 1, 1954, \$17,500 for butter grading supervisory and enforcement work.

Section 3. 97.43 of the statutes is created to read:

97.43 BUTTER; GRADING; LABEL. (1) It is unlawful to sell, offer or expose for sale, or have in possession with intent to sell, any butter at retail unless it has been graded. Butter shall be graded as follows:

- (a) Grade, Wisconsin, AA-93 score;
 (b) Grade, Wisconsin, A-92 score;

(c) Grade, Wisconsin, B-91-90 score;

(d) Grade, Wisconsin, undergrade—all butter below Wisconsin B.

(2) United States AA, A and B grades shall be accepted in lieu of the corresponding Wisconsin AA, A and B grades, but all United States grades below B shall, for the purpose of this section, correspond to Wisconsin undergrade.

(3) As used in this section, score or grade means the grading of butter by its examination for flavor and aroma, body and texture, color, salt, package and by the use of other tests or procedures approved by the state department of agriculture for ascertaining the quality of butter in whole or in part.

(4) Details for methods and procedures to be used for ascertaining quality, for labeling, and for arbitrating disputes with respect to grades, shall be developed by the supervisory grading service (state department of agriculture) as a result of public hearings to be held at a convenient location in the state.

(5) Butter from outside of the state sold within the state shall be provided with a label which indicates that it complies with the state grade standards as provided in this section and which indicates the grade in a manner equivalent to the requirements for butter manufactured and sold within the state.

(6) Butter which carries the state grade labels shall be graded by approved industry graders under the supervision of the supervisory grading service (state department of agriculture).

SECTION 4. The effective date for mandatory compliance with this act shall be July 1954.

Approved November 19, 1953.