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## CHAPTER 438.

AN ACT to direct and require the Agricultural Experiment Station of the University of Wisconsin to conduct scientific investigations tending to advance the cranberry industry in Wisconsin and to expend a certain sum of money therefor.

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

**Cranberry industry, investigations of.** SECTION 1. The director of the agricultural experiment station of the university of Wisconsin, by and with the aid of his assistants, is hereby authorized and directed to conduct investigations tending to the enlargement and improvement of the cranberry industry of this state. To this end he may direct and conduct surveys of land and marshes in order to ascertain more definitely their suitability to cranberry growing, and may prepare maps showing areas and locations of the same. He may also survey and study the supply and storage of waters requisite to the industry. He may secure lands by rental or purchase on which cranberries can be grown or are already growing, and conduct investigations therewith. He may secure or produce by selection and breeding new and improved varieties of cranberries and disseminate the same. He may also experiment to ascertain the best methods of planting, flooding, draining and cultivating cranberries, and may study the methods of combatting the insects and diseases injurious to this plant; also securing information and disseminating the same which will lead to the wider use and more profitable marketing of the cranberry crop. In general, he may conduct such studies as are requisite or desirable to the end of enlarging the knowledge of this important branch of horticulture in Wisconsin.

**Bulletins and reports.** SECTION 2. The results of studies carried on under the provisions of the previous section shall be embodied in bulletins and reports of the agricultural experiment station, and such information shall be issued promptly and given freely, without charge, upon request, to all residents of the state.

**Direction of; expenditures.** SECTION 3. The work laid out under the provisions of the preceding sections shall be under the direct charge of the director of the agricultural experiment station of the university of Wisconsin. All expenditures of moneys shall be under the forms laid down by the regents of the university of Wisconsin in the conduct of the agricultural experiment station. The secretary of the regents of the university of Wisconsin shall in the biennial report of the board of regents under a special heading, render an itemized account of all expenditures made under the provisions of this act for the information of the governor and the legislature.

**Amount allowed.** SECTION 4. To carry out the provisions of this act the University of Wisconsin shall, annually, for the term of three years, expend a sum not less than two thousand dollars out of the university fund income, provided for by law.

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

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## CHAPTER 439.

AN ACT to provide for the registration and return of births and deaths.

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

**Registration and return of births and deaths.** SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of every physician attending the birth of a child, and in case no physician is in attendance, it shall be the duty of the midwife in attendance, within thirty days after such birth, to give notice of the same to the health officer of the board of health existing in the city in which the birth occurs, and in case no health officer exists therein, the said notice shall be given to the city clerk; in towns or villages the said notice shall be given to the town or village clerk as the case may be.