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CHAPTER 205

AN ACT to renumber and amend 59.07 (17); and to create 59.07 (17) (b) of the statutes, relating to worm and insect suppression and control.

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

SECTION 1. 59.07 (17) of the statutes is renumbered 59.07 (17) (a) and amended to read:

59.07 (17) WORMS, INSECTS, WEEDS, ANIMAL DISEASES; APPROPRIATION. (a) To appropriate money for the control of insect *and worm* pests, weeds, or plant or animal diseases within the county, and to select from among its own members a committee which, upon advice from the county agent that an emergency condition exists because of the destruction which is being or may be wrought to farm lands, live stock or crops in the county by any such pests, may take such steps as may be necessary to suppress and control such pests. The county clerk shall within 10 days notify the state department of agriculture at the state capitol of such appropriation and of the members of such committee. The state entomologist and said department shall co-operate with such committee in the orderly and expeditious execution of such measures as may be necessary for the suppression and control of such pests.

SECTION 2. 59.07 (17) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

59.07 (17) (b) When such emergency exists the committee may immediately draw on the contingent fund, if available, but not to exceed \$5,000 which shall be disbursed upon certification of the committee for the purposes specified in par. (a) as they relate to worm or insect pests; the county treasurer shall pay the amounts so certified by the committee. No disbursement shall be made by the committee unless the owner of the premises affected has requested the committee to take steps to suppress or control the pests or when steps have been undertaken by another authority.

Approved May 29, 1953.
