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CHAPTER 321

AN ACT to amend 95.26 (3) (b), (4), (6) (a) and (7) and 95.35 (1) and to repeal and recreate 95.37 (2) of the statutes, relating to the Brucellosis control program.

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

SECTION 1. 95.26 (3) (b), (4) and (6) (a) of the statutes are amended to read:
95.26 (3) (b) Plan B shall require:

1. That all female calves shall be given the official calfhood vaccination.
2. That reactors may be retained and need not be identified but the results of the Brucellosis test shall be reported to the department.

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(4) Upon petition of 75 per cent of the cattle owners in a county the department may determine in the manner provided in s. 95.25 that all herds in the county be under Plan A. The provisions of s. 95.25 except sub. (8) shall apply to such work with like effect as though the word "Brucellosis" be substituted for the word "tuberculosis" and that consistent with Plan A the appropriate "A.B.R. test" or "Brucellosis test" be substituted for "tuberculin test." All the provisions under Plan A shall apply. * * * *Reactors to the Brucellosis test shall be slaughtered. Indemnity shall not be denied because of retention of diseased animals prior to adoption of Plan A county status.*

(6) (a) The A.B.R. tests required by this section shall be conducted by state or federal employed veterinarians and technicians. *The required periodic original Brucellosis tests in Plan A herds, all tests in Plan A counties and all calfhood vaccination provided for in this section shall be at state expense and may be conducted by an approved veterinarian of the herd owner's preference. All Brucellosis tests in Plan B herds and the follow-up tests in Plan A herds shall be paid for by the herd owner. The follow-up tests in Plan A herds may be conducted by the department, and a reasonable charge made therefor, whenever an approved veterinarian shall be unavailable to the herd owner for the conduct of such tests.* Veterinarians shall promptly submit all blood samples drawn under this program to the department for laboratory examination.

(7) For each animal condemned and slaughtered, unless otherwise provided by law, the owner shall receive and, upon certificate of the department, the state shall pay one-

third of the difference between the net salvage and the appraised or agreed value of the animal, but such payment shall not exceed \$50 for a registered animal and \$25 for an unregistered one. *With the consent of the owner the department may condemn, in infected herds, animals which have been exposed and which are suspected of being infected, although such animals have not reacted to the Brucellosis tests.*

SECTION 2. 95.35 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

95.35 (1) In all types of disease control work, *other than tuberculosis and Brucellosis*, conducted by the state without participation by the federal government, for each animal condemned and slaughtered the owner shall receive, and upon certificate of the department, the state shall pay one-half of the difference between the net salvage, if any, and the appraised or agreed value of the animal, but such payment shall not exceed \$90 for a registered animal and \$40 for an unregistered one.

SECTION 3. 95.37 (2) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

95.37 (2) Before any claim on account of bovine Brucellosis is paid the owner shall cause any animals remaining in his herd to be again tested for Brucellosis. Such test shall be conducted not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days following the removal of all reactors. When such tests are conducted by the department, any charges therefor remaining unpaid shall be deducted from the indemnity amount determined to be payable.

Approved June 26, 1953.
