

1981 Assembly Bill 22

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CHAPTER 166 , Laws of 1981

AN ACT to amend 69.67; and to repeal and recreate 69.66 of the statutes, relating to agricultural statistics and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. 69.66 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

69.66 Agricultural statistics. The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection may collect statistics in relation to principal farm products and agricultural resources as may be necessary through the use of mail surveys and other appropriate means.

SECTION 2. 69.67 of the statutes is amended to read:

69.67 Returns may be sent for; expense. If any town, city or village clerk ~~shall have failed~~ fails or neglected neglects to transmit to the county clerk the statement required by s. 69.60, or if any assessor ~~shall have failed or neglected to make and file with the county clerk the certificate required by s. 69.66,~~ for 10 days after the time required by law to transmit or make the same, the county clerk shall in either case send a messenger to such clerk or assessor who has so failed or neglected to procure the same, and such messenger shall be entitled to receive \$3 per day and 10 cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled in the discharge of duty, to be paid out of the county treasury on the order of the chairman of the county board and county clerk. The amount so paid shall be charged to the proper town, city or village and added to and collected with the next county tax apportioned thereto. The county clerk shall, immediately after having sent any such messenger, notify the treasurer of the proper town, city or village of the amount of the expense so

incurred, and ~~such~~ the treasurer shall deduct ~~such~~ that amount from the compensation of ~~such~~ the delinquent clerk or assessor.

SECTION 3. Appropriation changes. The appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under section 20.115 (3) (a) of the statutes, as affected by the laws of 1981, is increased by \$39,500 for fiscal year 1982-83 for the purpose of collecting agricultural statistics.
