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#### CHAPTER 129

AN ACT to amend 174.06 and 174.07 (3); and to create 59.07 (65) of the statutes, relating to the licensing of dogs and their apprehension and destruction.

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

SECTION 1. 59.07 (65) of the statutes is created to read:

59.07 (65) DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE. Enact ordinances regulating the keeping, apprehension, impounding and destruction of dogs outside

the corporate limits of any city or village, but such ordinances shall not conflict with ss. 174.01 and 174.10.

SECTION 2. 174.06 of the statutes is amended to read:

174.06 Dog license taxes shall be collected in the same manner as \* \* \* in s. 74.11 for the collecting of personal property taxes. Every assessor shall annually ascertain by diligent inquiry the dogs owned, harbored or kept within his assessment district. *The assessor shall receive as compensation therefor 15 cents for each dog listed by him, to be audited and allowed by the county board as other claims against the county and to be paid out of the dog license fund.* Every person shall answer frankly and fully all questions which shall be put to him by such assessor relative to the ownership or keeping of dogs within the assessor's district. The assessor shall enter in his blotter or other record for personal property assessments all dogs in his district subject to tax, to whom they are assessed, the name, number, sex, spayed or unspayed, breed and color of each such dog. The assessor shall make in triplicate a list of the owners of all dogs assessed as shown on the assessment record and shall deliver said copies to the town, village or city clerk at the time of delivery of the assessment roll. He shall make in triplicate a list of the names of persons owning and operating kennels and the number of dogs kept in each. The term "kennel" \* \* \* *means* any establishment wherein or whereon dogs are kept for the purpose of breeding, sale, or sporting purposes. Any person who keeps or operates a kennel may in lieu of the license tax for each dog required by this chapter apply to the town, city or village treasurer for a kennel license for the keeping or operating of such kennel. For such kennel he shall pay a license tax of \$20 for the license year. With such kennel license the treasurer shall issue a number of metal tags equal to the number of dogs authorized to be kept in the kennel. Such tags shall be made in a form so that they may be readily distinguishable from the individual license tags for the same year. The licensee of a kennel shall at all times keep one of such tags attached to the collar of each dog over 6 months old kept by him under a kennel license. Such tags may be transferred from one dog to another within the kennel whenever any dog is removed from the kennel. No dog bearing any tag shall be permitted to stray or to be taken anywhere outside the limits of the kennel unless he is in leash or temporarily for the purposes of hunting, breeding, trial or show. The department of agriculture shall furnish county clerks with suitable kennel tags and blank licenses for distribution to the several town, village and city treasurers. Unless clearly inapplicable, all the provisions of this chapter relating to the individual dog license tax, licenses and tags shall apply to the kennel license and tags. The town, village or city clerk shall deliver one copy of such list to the county clerk, one copy to the town, village or city treasurer, and retain one copy for his files.

SECTION 3. 174.07 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

174.07 (3) Every town, village or city treasurer or other tax collecting officer shall at the time of issuing a license and before delivering the same make a complete duplicate thereof upon the stub portion of the license blank. Said officer shall annually at the time provided by law for returning to the county treasurer delinquent personal property taxes return to his county clerk all unused tags of the preceding license year, together with license books therefor and all duplicate licenses of the preceding year and the said county clerk shall carefully check said returned tags, duplicate licenses, and license blanks to ascertain whether all tags and license blanks which were furnished by the county clerk have been accounted for, and to enable the county clerk to do that he shall charge each town, village or city treasurer or other tax collecting officer

with all tags and blank licenses furnished or delivered to him and credit him with those returned. In case of discrepancy, the county clerk shall notify the state department of agriculture thereof. *The local treasurer shall retain 10 cents for each license issued by him.*

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