Sec. 6. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of - acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. Effective January 1, 1932.—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1932.

Approved April 25, 1931.

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CHAPTER 360-S. F. No. 674

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 5416, 5417 and 5418, relating to the eradication of bovine tuberculosis.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. County board may appropriate money for cattle testing.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5416, be amended to read as follows:

"5416. The boards of county commissioners of the several counties of this state may, in their discretion, and upon petition signed by cattle owners residing therein equal in number to a majority of the cattle owners within the county, as shown by the last preceding assessment roll, shall, immediately or at the next meeting of the board of county commissioners, enter into an agreement with the State Live Stock Sanitary Board for the testing of all cattle in the county on the "county area" plan, and shall also appropriate out of the funds of the county not otherwise appropriated, a sum of money not exceeding twenty-five cents per head of cattle for each tuberculin test that may be administered, until the percentage of tuberculous cattle within the county is reduced to meet the requirements of a "modified accredited area" as defined and approved by the United States Department of Agriculture and the State Live Stock Sanitary Board of Minnesota, for the purpose of aiding in the testing of cattle in the county for tuberculosis and of carrying out sanitary and quarantine regulations. When there are no funds available for such an appropriation, a tax shall be levied in a sufficient amount for the purpose, and after the levy thereof orders may be issued against such tax and in anticipation of

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its collection. All such money shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and shall be disbursed on vouchers verified by the executive officers of said board, and in cases where the United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry, is a party to a cooperative agreement with the county for the control of tuberculosis in cattle, by the federal inspector in charge, as hereinafter provided: provided that, in counties where petitions for the tuberculin test of cattle have been heretofore filed with the boards of county commissioners as herein provided, and in which the boards of county commissioners have not entered into an agreement with the State Live Stock Sanitary Board for the testing of all the cattle in the county, the boards of county commissioners of such counties shall, ubon betition of one hundred or more resident cattle owners, forthwith enter into such contract and otherwise in all things comply with the provisions of this act."

Sec. 2. Live stock sanitary board to make test.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5417, be amended to read as follows:

"5417. The State Live Stock Sanitary Board shall then enter into an agreement with the county commissioners of said county to cause the testing of all cattle in the county for tuberculosis, provided funds are available for the payment of indemnities as required by law, and provided also that an adequate force of veterinarians qualified to test cattle as required are available. Such agreement shall specify such quarantine rules and regulations as the State Live Stock Sanitary Board may deem advisable relative to the control of tuberculosis among cattle in such county."

Sec. 3. Subsequent test to be made without expense.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5418, be amended to read as follows:

"5418. After a county has been certified as a 'modified accredited area', subsequent tests of cattle in the county and retests of infected herds and any and all refests necessary to keep and maintain said area free from bovine tuberculosis as herein required for a 'modified accredited area' shall be made in the discretion of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, and such tests and retests shall be without expense to the county."

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