

deceased member or former member entitled to receive a refundment as provided in this section shall have the option of having the amount due him paid in monthly instalments in such amounts as may be agreed upon with the State Employees Retirement Board.

Approved March 29, 1955.

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CHAPTER 240—S. F. 581

*An act relating to the sale of seeds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 21.47, 21.48.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 21.47, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 20] **Treated.** *“Treated” means a process where any seed has received an application of a substance which is designed to reduce, control or repel certain disease organisms, insects or other pests attacking such seeds or seedlings growing therefrom.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 21.48, is amended to read:

21.48 **Labels, agricultural seed containers.** Each container of agricultural seed which is sold, offered for sale, or exposed for sale, or transported within this state for sowing purposes shall bear thereon or have attached thereto in a conspicuous place a plainly written or printed label or tag in the English language, giving the following information, which statement shall not be modified or denied in the labeling or on another label attached to the container:

(a) *For all seeds named and treated as defined in this Act for which a separate label may be used:*

(1) *A word or statement indicating that the seed has been treated.*

(2) *The commonly accepted, coined, chemical or abbreviated chemical (generic) name of the applied substance.*

(3) *If the substance in the amount present with the seed is harmful to human or other vertebrate animals a caution statement such as “Do not use for food or feed or oil purposes.” The caution for mercurials and similarly toxic substances shall be a poison statement or label.*

(b) *For agricultural seeds:*

(1) Commonly accepted name of (A) kind, or (B) kind and variety, of each agricultural seed component in excess of five per cent of the whole, and the percentage by weight of each in the order of its predominance.

(2) Lot number or other lot identification.

(3) Origin, if known, of alfalfa, red clover, and field corn. If the origin is unknown, that fact shall be stated.

(4) Percentage by weight of all weed seeds, which shall not exceed one per cent.

(5) The name and number of each kind of restricted noxious weed seeds. (A) Per ounce in *Agrostis* species (red top and bent grass), *Agropyron* species (wheat grass), alfalfa, Bermuda grass, brome grass, clovers (Alsike, crimson, red, sweet, ladino, birdsfoot trefoil, and white), *Dallis* grass, fescues, flax, foxtail, millet, lespedezas, orchard grass, *Poa* species (blue grass), reed canary grass, Rhodes grass, rye grass and other agricultural seeds of similar size and weight, or mixtures within this group and (B) per pound in barley, buckwheat, oats, proso, rye, sorghum, sudan grass, vetches, wheat and other agricultural seeds of a size and weight similar to or greater than those within this group, or any mixtures within this group or between members of this group and members of any other group.

(6) Percentage by weight of agricultural seeds (which may be designated as "other crop seeds") other than those required to be named on the label.

(7) Percentage by weight of inert matter.

(8) For each named agricultural seed:

(A) Percentage of germination, exclusive of hard seed.

(B) Percentage of hard seed, if present.

(C) The calendar month and year the test was completed to determine such percentages.

(9) Name and address of the person who labeled the seed, or who sells the seed within this state or in lieu thereof a code number which has been registered with the commissioner.

(10) A hybrid seed corn label shall also state:

(A) Whether the corn is the product of a single cross, a three-way cross, or a double cross, or a blend of these.

(B) The state in which it was grown.

(C) The variety name.

(D) The number of days as determined by the Minnesota Experiment Station of growing season necessary from emergence of the corn plant of said variety above ground to maturity in the zone or zones in Minnesota to which said variety is adapted.

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CHAPTER 241—S. F. No. 587

[Coded]

*An act relating to cooperative rural telephone companies, organized under Revised Statutes 1905, Chapter 58 or the General Laws of Minnesota 1905, Chapters 276 and 313, providing for the dissolution thereof.*

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

Section 1. [301.481] **Cooperative rural telephone companies, dissolution.** Any cooperative rural telephone company organized under Revised Statutes 1905, Chapter 58, or the General Laws of Minnesota 1905, Chapters 276 and 313, may dissolve by voluntary proceedings as provided by Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 301.47 and 301.48, whenever a resolution therefor, is adopted by a majority of the voting power of all stockholders or shareholders at a meeting duly called for that purpose.

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CHAPTER 242—S. F. No. 659

[Not Coded]

*An act authorizing the board of supervisors of certain towns to issue and sell certificates of indebtedness without a vote of electors, for the purchase of equipment and for road*