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therefor on forms furnished by the commissioner, if the commissioner or his designate is satisfied that the cheese manufactured by the applicant meets the requirements prescribed by subdivision 1. The commissioner or his designated agents shall inspect the farm at reasonable times to insure compliance with subdivision 1. The permit may be suspended or revoked by the commissioner if he finds that the permittee is not in compliance with subdivision 1.

[1977 c 114 s 1]

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Any spoiled or unused stamps in the possession of the commissioner of revenue shall be destroyed upon joint certificate of the commissioner of revenue and the legislative auditor setting forth the number, denomination, and face value of the same. This certificate shall relieve the accountable officer from accountability in the amount thereof.

[1977 c 347 s 10]

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38.02 Aid, distribution.

Subdivision 1. **Pro rata distribution; conditions.** (1) Money appropriated to aid county and district agricultural societies and associations shall be distributed among all county and district agricultural societies or associations in the state pro rata, upon condition that each of them has complied with the conditions specified in clause (2).

(2) To be eligible to participate in such distribution, each such agricultural society or association (1) shall have held an annual fair for each of the three years last past, unless prevented from doing so because of a calamity or an epidemic declared by the local or state board of health to exist; (2) shall have an annual membership of 25 or more; (3) shall have paid out to exhibitors for premiums awarded at the last fair held a sum not less than the amount to be received from the state; (4) shall have published and distributed not less than three weeks before the opening day of the fair a premium list, listing all items or articles on which premiums are offered and the amounts of such premiums and shall have paid premiums pursuant to the amount shown for each article or item to be exhibited; provided that premiums for school exhibits may be advertised in the published premium list by reference to a school premium list prepared and circulated during the preceding school year; and shall have collected all fees charged for entering an exhibit at the time the entry was made and in accordance with schedule of entry fees to be charged as published in the premium list; (5) shall have paid not more than one premium on each article or item exhibited, excluding championship or sweepstake awards, and excluding the payment of open class premium awards to 4H Club exhibits which at this same fair had won a first prize award in regular 4H Club competition; (6) shall have submitted its records and annual report to the commissioner of agriculture on a form provided by the commissioner of agriculture, on or before the first day of November of the current year.

(3) All payments authorized under the provisions of this chapter shall be made only upon the presentation by the commissioner of agriculture with the commissioner of finance of a statement of premium allocations. As used herein the term premium shall mean the cash award paid to an exhibitor for the merit of an exhibit of livestock, livestock products, grains, fruits, flowers, vegetables, articles of domestic science, handicrafts, hobbies, fine arts, and articles made by school pupils, or the cash award paid to the merit winner of events such as 4H Club or Future

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Farmer Contest, Youth Group Contests, school spelling contests and school current events contests, the award corresponding to the amount offered in the advertised premium list referred to in schedule 2. Payments of awards for horse races, ball games, musical contests, talent contests, parades, and for amusement features for which admission is charged, are specifically excluded from consideration as premiums within the meaning of that term as used herein. Upon receipt of the statement by the commissioner of agriculture, it shall be the duty of the commissioner of finance to draw his voucher in favor of the agricultural society or association for the amount to which it is entitled under the provisions of this chapter, which amount shall be computed as follows: On the first \$750 premiums paid by each society or association, such society or association shall receive 100 percent reimbursement; on the second \$750 premiums paid, 80 percent; on the third \$750 premiums paid, 60 percent; and on any sum in excess of \$2,250, 40 percent.

(4) If the total amount of state aid to which the agricultural societies and associations are entitled under the provisions of this chapter exceeds the amount of the appropriation therefor, the amounts to which the societies or associations are entitled shall be pro rated so that the total payments by the state will not exceed the appropriation.

[For text of subd 1a, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 2. **Accounting; commissioner of agriculture, duties.** It shall be the duty of the commissioner of agriculture to prescribe uniform forms and methods of accounting to be used by agricultural societies, and associations.

Subd. 3. **Certification, commissioner of agriculture.** Any county or district agricultural society which may have held its second annual fair shall be entitled to share pro rata in such distribution. The commissioner of agriculture shall certify to the secretary of the state agricultural society, within 30 days after payments have been made hereunder, a list of all county or district agricultural societies that have complied with this chapter, and which are entitled to share in such appropriation. All payments hereunder shall be made on or before December 20 of the year in which the fair is held or within 30 days after all societies have submitted their annual report to the commissioner of agriculture, whichever is later.

[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 121 s 2-4]

38.04 Annual meetings; reports.

Every county agricultural society shall hold an annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business on or before the third Tuesday in November, each year, at which time its secretary shall make a report of its proceedings for the preceding year; this report shall contain a statement of all transactions at its fairs, the numbers of entries, the amount and source of all moneys received, and the amount paid out for premiums and other purposes, and show in detail its entire receipts and expenditures during the year.

The treasurer shall make a comprehensive report of the funds received, paid out, and on hand, and upon whose order paid. Each secretary shall cause a certified copy of his annual report to be filed with the county recorder of the county and the commissioner of agriculture on or before the first day of November, each year.

[1977 c 121 s 5]

38.13 Commissioner of agriculture to examine books.

All books and affairs of all county agricultural societies or any like societies receiving aid from the appropriation for aid of county agricultural societies shall be subject to examination by the commissioner of agriculture. Each agricultural society or association shall reimburse the commissioner of agriculture for all expenses

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of the commissioner incurred in examining the records and accounts of such societies or associations.

[1977 c 121 s 6]

CHAPTER 40. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

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40.005 [Repealed, 1977 c 304 s 25]

40.01 Definitions.

[For text of subds 1 to 7, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 8. **Agency of this state.** "Agency of this state" or "state agency" includes the government of this state and any subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, corporate or otherwise, of the government of this state.

[For text of subds 9 to 14, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 15. **Appropriate agencies.** "Appropriate agencies" include any local, state or federal agency which possesses expertise, involvement or authority concerning the use and development of land and water resources, but does not include any district or the state board.

[1977 c 304 s 1,2]

40.02 Public policy; purpose.

Improper land-use practices have caused serious wind and water erosion of the lands of this state, the runoff of polluting materials, increased costs to maintain agricultural productivity, increased energy costs and increased flood damage. Land occupiers have the responsibility to implement the practices which correct these conditions and to conserve the soil and water resources of the state.

It is the policy of the state to encourage land occupiers to conserve the soil and water resources through the implementation of practices that effectively reduce or prevent erosion, sedimentation, siltation and agriculturally related pollution in order to preserve natural resources, insure continued soil productivity, control floods, prevent impairment of dams and reservoirs, assist in maintaining the navigability of rivers and harbors, preserve wildlife, protect the tax base, and protect public lands.

[1977 c 304 s 3]

40.03 State soil and water conservation board.

Subdivision 1. **Members.** There is hereby established, to serve as an agency within the department of natural resources and to perform the functions conferred upon it in this chapter, the state soil and water conservation board to be composed of 12 members, seven of whom shall be elected supervisors and the following five ex-officio members: The director of the agricultural extension service of the University of Minnesota; the dean of the Institute of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota; the director of the pollution control agency; the commissioner of agriculture; and the commissioner of natural resources. Each ex-officio member may designate a person within his organization to act in his stead as a member of the state board, with all his rights and privileges. The designation shall be filed with the secretary of state. The state board shall invite the state conservationist of the United States soil conservation service to serve as an advisory member. The state board may also invite a representative of the state association of soil and water conservation districts, the association of Minnesota counties, the league of Minnesota cities and any other organizations and appropriate agencies deemed necessary to serve as advisory members. The seven members of the state board who are elected supervisors shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. In making these appointments the governor may consider persons re-