

CHAPTER 17

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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17.038 STATISTICAL SERVICES ACCOUNT.

The statistical services account is established in the state treasury. All payments for statistical services performed by the agricultural statistics division of the department of agriculture must be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the statistical services account. The money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of agriculture to administer the programs of the agricultural statistics division.

History: *1Sp1985 c 10 s 42*

17.35 [Repealed, 1985 c 44 s 5]

17.351 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** The definitions in this section apply to sections 17.352 to 17.354.

Subd. 2. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of agriculture.

Subd. 3. **Fur-bearing animal.** "Fur-bearing animal" means a fox, mink, fitch, chinchilla, karakul, marten, nutria, or fisher that is the second or later generation raised in captivity.

Subd. 4. **Fur farmer.** "Fur farmer" means a person engaged in breeding, raising, producing, and marketing fur-bearing animals or the products of fur-bearing animals.

History: *1985 c 44 s 1*

17.352 AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND PURSUITS.

Fur-bearing animals are domestic animals and products of fur-bearing animals are agricultural products. A fur farmer is engaged in an agricultural pursuit.

History: *1985 c 44 s 2*

17.353 FUR FARMER REGISTRATION.

Subdivision 1. **Registration system.** The commissioner shall establish a registration system for fur farmers. The registration system shall be designed to maintain information required by the commissioner, United States Department of Agriculture, and other agencies.

Subd. 2. **Registration.** A fur farmer may register with the commissioner by submitting a completed registration form and a fee of \$10 to the commissioner by December 31. The registration is valid for a calendar year. The registration form must state the name of the applicant, the location of the fur farming activity, the species of fur-bearing animals on the fur farm, and other information required by the commissioner.

Subd. 3. **Tags for transportation and sale.** The commissioner shall, if requested, furnish registered fur farmers tags, without a fee, for the transport and sale of fur-bearing animals and their products. A fur farmer transporting or selling pelts of fur-bearing animals may attach the tag to a package containing pelts.

Subd. 4. **Annual reports of pelts sold.** A registered fur farmer must file a verified report of the number of pelts of each species of fur-bearing animal sold during the preceding calendar year. The report must be filed with the commissioner by December 31.

History: 1985 c 44 s 3

17.354 APPLICATION.

Sections 17.351 to 17.353 do not affect provisions of law relating to wild animals.

History: 1985 c 44 s 4

17.717 LICENSE, INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION FEES.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1984]

Subd. 1a. **Fertilizer inspection account.** A fertilizer inspection account is established in the state treasury. The commissioner shall deposit all fees and penalties collected under sections 17.711 to 17.729 in the fertilizer inspection account. Money in that account, including interest earned and any money appropriated for the purposes of sections 17.711 to 17.729, is annually appropriated to the commissioner for the administration and enforcement of sections 17.711 to 17.729.

[For text of subds 3 to 6, see M.S.1984]

History: 1Sp1985 c 10 s 43

NOTE: Subdivision 1a, as added by Laws 1985, First Special Session chapter 10, section 43, is effective July 1, 1987. See Laws 1985, First Special Session chapter 10, section 125.

NOTE: Subdivision 6 was repealed by Laws 1985, First Special Session chapter 10, section 123, subdivision 3, effective July 1, 1987. See Laws 1985, First Special Session chapter 10, section 125.