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Minn. Stat. §§ 35.244; 13.643

Current with laws of the 2010 Regular Session, Chapters 180 through 200 and 202 through 214

35.244. Control of bovine tuberculosis

Subdivision 1. Designation of zones. The board has the authority to control tuberculosis and the movement of cattle, bison, goats, and farmed cervidae within and between tuberculosis zones in the state. Zones within the state may be designated as accreditation preparatory, modified accredited, modified accredited advanced, or accredited free as those terms are defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 9, part 77. The board may designate bovine tuberculosis control zones that contain not more than 325 herds.

Subd. 2. Control within modified accredited zone. In a modified accredited zone, the board has the authority to:

- (1) require owners of cattle, bison, goats, or farmed cervidae to report personal contact information and location of livestock to the board;
- (2) require a permit or movement certificates for all cattle, bison, goats, and farmed cervidae moving between premises within the zone or leaving or entering the zone;
- (3) require official identification of all cattle, bison, goats, and farmed cervidae within the zone or leaving or entering the zone;
- (4) require a whole-herd tuberculosis test on each herd of cattle, bison, goats, or farmed cervidae when any of the animals in the herd is kept on a premises within the zone;
- (5) require a negative tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement for any individual cattle, bison, goat, or farmed cervidae moved from a premises in the zone to another location in Minnesota, with the exception of cattle moving under permit directly to a slaughter facility under state or federal inspection;
- (6) require a whole-herd tuberculosis test within 12 months prior to moving cattle, bison, goats, or farmed cervidae from premises in the zone to another location in Minnesota;
- (7) require annual herd inventories on all cattle, bison, goat, or farmed cervidae herds; and
- (8) require that a risk assessment be performed to evaluate the interaction of free-ranging deer and elk with cattle, bison, goat, and farmed cervidae herds and require the owner to implement the recommendations of the risk assessment.

Subd. 3. Authority to adopt rules. The board may adopt rules to provide for the control of tuberculosis in cattle. The rules may include provisions for quarantine, tests, and such other

measures as the board deems appropriate. Federal regulations, as provided by Code of Federal Regulations, title 9, part 77, and the Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, are incorporated as part of the rules in this state.

§ 13.643(6)

Subd. 6. Animal premises data. (a) The following data collected and maintained by the Board of Animal Health related to registration and identification of premises and animals under chapter 35, are classified as private or nonpublic:

- (1) the names and addresses;
- (2) the location of the premises where animals are kept; and
- (3) the identification number of the premises or the animal.

(b) The Board of Animal Health may disclose data collected under paragraph (a) to any person, agency, or to the public if the board determines that the access will aid in the law enforcement process or the protection of public or animal health or safety.