

Purposes designated by directors.

stock, or the distribution of any patronage refund or dividend, shall set aside ten per centum of the total net earnings, annually, for a reserve fund, until the reserve fund shall equal at least thirty per centum of the paid up capital stock. *The reserve fund shall be available for such purposes as shall be designated and authorized by the vote of two-thirds of the members of the board of directors at a duly assembled meeting of said board, subject to such limitations and conditions as shall be provided for in the by-laws of the association.*

APPROVED—The 22d day of June, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 224

AN ACT

To amend sections one and seven of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred forty-four), entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; prescribing penalties for its violation; and repealing an act, entitled 'An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; providing for its enforcement, and prescribing penalties for its violation,' approved the twenty-fifth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one," as amended, by further defining commercial fertilizers, and fixing the minimum percentage of constituents which such fertilizers may contain.

Commercial fertilizer.

Section 1, act of May 1, 1909 (P. L. 344), as amended by act of May 29, 1917 (P. L. 329), further amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred forty-four), entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; prescribing penalties for its violation; and repealing an act, entitled 'An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; providing for its enforcement; and prescribing penalties for its violation,' approved the twenty-fifth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one," which was amended by section one of the act, approved the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred twenty-nine), entitled "An act to amend sections one and three of an act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, entitled 'An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; prescribing penalties for its violation; and repealing an act, entitled 'An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; providing for its enforcement, and prescribing penalties for its violation,' approved the twenty-fifth day of

March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one," is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That all corporations, associations, partnerships, or persons, before selling or offering for sale any commercial fertilizer in the Commonwealth, except the dung of domestic animals, lime, marl, and wood ashes, shall brand or attach to each bag, barrel, or package, in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof, a plainly printed statement giving the following particulars and no others:

Sale of
fertilizers.

Brand.

Statement.

(1) The number of pounds of fertilizer contained in the package.

(2) The name, brand, or trade-mark under which the fertilizer is sold.

(3) The name and principal address of the manufacturer, importer, or other person putting the fertilizer on the market in this Commonwealth.

Percentages of
constituents.

(4) The minimum percentage of each of the following constituents which the fertilizer may contain: (a) Nitrogen; [(b) nitrogen equivalent to ammonia;] [(c)] (b) total phosphoric acid, *except in mixed fertilizers*; [(d)] (c) available phosphoric acid; [(e)] (d) potash soluble in distilled water. *Statements of all mixed fertilizer ingredients shall be in even units or even percentages only and no fractional analysis shall be permitted.* The potash may be claimed "derived from," or "equivalent to," sulphate of potash, if there is not a sufficient amount of chlorine present to unite with one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of one per centum (1%) of actual potash (K_2O). In the case of undissolved bone, tankage, phosphate rock, and similar materials in their natural and untreated conditions, when sold unmixed with other substances, the minimum percentage of the total phosphoric acid therein may be stated, instead of the percentage of total and available phosphoric acid. But, in the case of basic phosphatic slag, the available phosphoric acid shall be stated on the basis of the results of an analysis by the Wagner method, so-called, until such time as the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists of North America shall adopt an official method of analysis for basic slag, after which the available phosphoric acid shall be stated on the basis of an analysis by the method of such association.

Mixed fertilizer
ingredients to be
stated in even
units.

Section 2. That section seven of said act, which was amended by the act, approved the second day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred sixteen), entitled "An act to amend section seven of the act, approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nine (Pamphlet Laws, three hundred forty-four), entitled 'An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; prescribing penalties for its violation, and repealing an

Section 7. as
amended by act
of April 2, 1925
(1st L. 116).
further amended.

act, entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers; providing for its enforcement, and prescribing penalties for its violation," approved the twenty-fifth day of March, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and one;" further defining commercial fertilizers," is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Commercial fertilizers" defined.

Sale of certain fertilizers forbidden.

Tobacco fertilizer.

Section 7. The term "commercial fertilizers," as used in this act, shall be construed to mean any and every substance imported, manufactured, prepared, or sold for fertilizing or manuring purposes, except the dung of domestic animals, marl, lime, and wood ashes, and not exempt by the provisions of section one of this act. No commercial fertilizer containing less than one per centum of [ammonia] *nitrogen* or one per centum of available phosphoric acid (P_2O_5) or one per centum water soluble potash (K_2O); nor any mixed fertilizer or mixture composed of two or more ingredients containing less than fourteen per centum of total plant food, namely,—not less than one per centum of [ammonia] *nitrogen* or one per centum of available phosphoric acid (P_2O_5) or one per centum of water soluble potash (K_2O),—shall be sold, offered for sale, or exposed for sale in this Commonwealth. No commercial fertilizer having the word "tobacco" as part of its brand or trade name, shall contain muriate of potash, manure salts, kainit, or any other commercial potash combined with chlorine as chloride of potash. [This amendment shall take effect and be in force January first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.]

APPROVED—The 22d day of June, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 225

AN ACT

Requiring persons, associations, partnerships, and corporations, and their agents, herein defined as dealers and brokers, engaging in the business of buying, receiving, selling, exchanging, negotiating, or soliciting the sale, resale, exchange, or transfer of certain domestic animals, to be licensed by the Department of Agriculture; providing for the revocation of such licenses; imposing certain duties on such dealers and brokers, and their agents; conferring powers on said department; and providing penalties.

Dealers and brokers in domestic animals.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That—(a) The word "department," as used in this act, shall mean the Department of Agriculture.