COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES
Act 96 of 1849

AN ACT for the encouragement of agriculture, manufactures, and the mechanic arts.

History: 1849, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1849.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

453.101 County agricultural societies; organization, county aid.

Sec. 1. In any county in this state, where the inhabitants thereof have organized and established or may hereafter organize and establish a society for the encouragement and advancement of agriculture, manufactures and the mechanic arts and shall raise from said society, annually, the sum of 100 dollars or over, for the promotion of the above objects in said county, which fact shall be certified by the president and secretary of the society under oath, and a certificate thereof shall be filed with the clerk of the board of supervisors. The board of supervisors of said county at their annual session in each and every year, may, at their option, levy a tax of not more than 1/10 of 1 mill on the dollar, on the assessment roll of the county, which tax shall be collected and paid to the treasurer of the county in the same manner that other taxes are collected and paid: Provided, In any county where there is more than 1 agricultural society so reporting, the board may apportion such amount between such societies as they may deem just.

History: 1849, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1849;—Am. 1855, Act 18, Eff. May 15, 1855;—CL 1857, 1687;—Am. 1869, Act 105, Eff. July 5, 1869;—CL 1871, 2163;—How. 2298;—Am. 1891, Act 177, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1891;—CL 1897, 5947;—CL 1915, 7824;—CL 1929, 10211;—CL 1948, 453.101.

Former law: See Act 24 of 1844.

453.102 County agricultural societies; tax money, duty of county treasurer.

Sec. 2. The treasurer of the county shall keep the sum so raised subject to the order of the board of supervisors of said county.

History: 1849, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1849;—CL 1857, 1688;—CL 1871, 2164;—How. 2299;—CL 1897, 5948;—CL 1915, 7825;—CL 1929, 10212;—CL 1948, 453.102.

453.103 County agricultural societies; tax money, expenditure.

Sec. 3. The said board of supervisors shall draw upon the said treasurer for the sum so raised and the same shall be expended, under the direction of said board, for the benefit of said society in the purchase of premiums, the diffusion of valuable agricultural, manufacturing and mechanical knowledge, or in such other way as shall in the opinion of the board be calculated to promote and encourage the important objects above specified.

History: 1849, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1849;—CL 1857, 1689;—CL 1871, 2165;—How. 2300;—CL 1897, 5949;—CL 1915, 7826;—CL 1929, 10213;—CL 1948, 453.103.

453.105 County agricultural societies; membership.

Sec. 5. Any citizen of any county in which a society of the kind above named is or shall be organized shall have a right to become a member thereof by complying with the rules and regulations of said society.

History: 1849, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Mar. 16, 1849;—CL 1857, 1691;—CL 1871, 2167;—How. 2302;—CL 1897, 5950;—CL 1915, 7828;—CL 1929, 10215;—CL 1948, 453.105.

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