

34-129. Same; transfer of limited powers, duties and functions from grain inspection to department of agriculture; successor thereto; rules and regulations; title to property. On and after September 1, 1997:

(a) Except as otherwise provided by this act, the department of agriculture and the secretary of agriculture shall be the successor in every way to the powers, duties and functions of the Kansas state grain inspection department and the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department concerning public warehouses in which the same were vested prior to the effective date of this section. Every act performed in the exercise of such powers, duties and functions by or under the authority of the department of agriculture and the secretary of agriculture shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as if performed by the Kansas state grain inspection department and the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department, respectively, in which such powers, duties and functions were vested prior to the effective date of this section.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this act, whenever the Kansas state grain inspection department, or words of like effect concerning public warehouses, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the department of agriculture.

(c) Except as otherwise provided by this act, whenever the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department, or words of like effect concerning public warehouses, is referred to or designated by a statute, contract or other document, such reference or designation shall be deemed to apply to the secretary of agriculture.

(d) All rules and regulations of the Kansas state grain inspection department and the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department concerning public warehouses in existence on the effective date of this section shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be duly adopted rules and regulations of the secretary of agriculture until revised, amended, revoked or nullified pursuant to law.

(e) All orders and directives of the Kansas state grain inspection department and the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department concerning public warehouses in existence on the effective date of this section shall continue to be effective and shall be deemed to be orders and directives of the department of agriculture until revised, amended or nullified pursuant to law.

(f) On the effective date of this act, the department of agriculture shall succeed to whatever right, title or interest the Kansas state grain inspection department has acquired in any real property in this state concerning public warehouses, and the department shall hold the same for and in the name of the state of Kansas. On and after the effective date of this act, whenever any statute, contract, deed or other document concerns the power or authority of the Kansas state grain inspection department and the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department concerning public warehouses to acquire, hold or dispose of real property or any interest therein, the department of agriculture shall succeed to such power or authority.

(g) The department of agriculture and the secretary of agriculture shall be continuations of the Kansas state grain inspection department and the director of the Kansas state grain inspection department concerning public warehouses.

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