SENATE BILL No. 900

December 4, 2001, Introduced by Senator MC COTTER and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1921 PA 358, entitled

"An act authorizing the state to reimburse counties and townships to the extent of 1/2 of the amounts spent by such counties and townships in connection with the destruction of grasshoppers and similar pests, making an appropriation therefor, and providing a tax to meet the same,"

by amending sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 (MCL 286.132, 286.133, 286.134, and 286.135).

Sec. 2. Before any such A county shall IS ELIGIBLE TO receive reimbursement under this act, it shall be the duty of the county clerk to SHALL prepare a voucher showing the payments made by such THE county, the date of contracting for the material or services, the date of payment of each item, thereof; and A STATEMENT that all payments for which such THE reimbursement is sought were made pursuant to the provisions of said Act No. 6 of the Public Acts of 1919, special session 1919 (EX SESS) PA 6, MCL 286.121 TO 286.123. Such THE voucher

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- 1 shall be countersigned by the county treasurer in each case, who
- 2 shall certify thereon that the warrant of the county has been
- 3 issued for the sums stated. Such THE voucher shall be for-
- 4 warded to the auditor general STATE TREASURER upon such blank
- 5 as the auditor general STATE TREASURER shall prescribe, who is
- 6 hereby authorized to audit the claim, and if found to be correct
- 7 to issue his OR HER warrant for the payment of 1/2 of such THE
- 8 sum as shall have been expended by such THE county as provided
- 9 for herein IN THIS ACT.
- 10 Sec. 3. Before any township shall be IS reimbursed under
- 11 this act, it shall be the duty of the township board to SHALL
- 12 prepare a voucher showing the payments made by such THE town-
- 13 ship in the same manner and in similar form to that prescribed in
- 14 section 2, of this act, countersigned and certified to by the
- 15 township treasurer, and further certified to by the agent pro-
- 16 vided for in section 4 hereof that the use of said THE poi-
- 17 sons was necessary and economical. Such THE voucher shall be
- 18 forwarded to and disposed of by the auditor general STATE
- 19 TREASURER in the same manner as is herein provided in the case
- 20 of SECTION 2 FOR claims made in behalf of counties.
- 21 Sec. 4. No reimbursement shall be made under this act for
- 22 any year prior to the year 1921, and all claims of counties and
- 23 townships arising hereunder UNDER THIS ACT for the calendar
- 24 year of 1921 shall be presented to the auditor general STATE
- 25 TREASURER for payment on or before December first of that year,
- 26 and shall be paid as soon as the appropriation therefor FOR
- 27 THAT PAYMENT is available. All claims arising in the year 1922

- 1 shall be presented for payment on or before December first of
- 2 that year and shall be paid as soon as the appropriation for
- 3 such THAT year becomes available.
- 4 Sec. 5. The COUNTY board of supervisors COMMISSIONERS of
- 5 each county appropriating money for the destruction of grasshop-
- 6 pers and similar pests shall appoint an agent or agents for the
- 7 purpose of managing the purchase, mixing, and distribution of the
- 8 necessary poisons used in the destruction of grasshoppers and
- 9 similar pests, and to superintend the use of the same POISONS
- 10 by townships and individuals. In the absence of such AN
- 11 appointment, such THE duties shall devolve upon the county
- 12 agricultural agent, if any, and otherwise in the absence of
- 13 such THE appointment or if there be no IS NOT A county agri-
- 14 cultural agent, such THE duties shall devolve upon the county
- 15 clerk. The certificate of such THE agent that the purchase and
- 16 use of such THE poisons were necessary and economical shall
- 17 accompany every claim presented to the auditor general STATE
- 18 TREASURER under this act before payment shall be made thereon
- 19 ON THE CLAIM.