

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 13 of 1921**

**285.3 Transfer of additional powers and duties to department of agriculture; abolition of offices; records, files, and data.**

Sec. 3. In addition to the powers and duties transferred to the department of agriculture under section 2, the powers and duties of the state board of agriculture with reference to the inspection and regulation of orchards, vineyards, nurseries, and apiaries; the testing of agricultural seeds; the analysis of commercial fertilizers; the testing and examination of insecticides; the analysis and testing of commercial stock foods; the investigation and improvement of marketing conditions; and the publication of Michigan weather service summaries are also transferred to the department of agriculture. The offices of state inspector of orchards and nurseries, and inspector of apiaries are abolished. The powers and duties pertaining to those offices are transferred to the department of agriculture. All records and files pertaining to either of those offices, or to any of the powers and duties transferred under this section, are a part of the records and files of the department of agriculture and shall be preserved accordingly. All duties of the secretary of state imposed by law regarding the collection and publication of statistics relating to agriculture and agricultural interests within the state and the Michigan weather service are also transferred to the department of agriculture. All records and data of the secretary of state regarding agriculture and agricultural interests, and the publication of a summary of the observations of the director of the Michigan weather service shall be delivered to the department of agriculture by the secretary of state. The secretary of state is relieved from further performance of those duties.

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