

AN ACT concerning agriculture.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Illinois Noxious Weed Law is amended by changing Sections 2, 4, and 14 as follows:

(505 ILCS 100/2) (from Ch. 5, par. 952)

Sec. 2. As used in this Act: (1) "Person" means any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, company, society, association, the State or any department, agency, or subdivision thereof, or any other entity.

(2) "Control", "controlled" or "controlling" includes being in charge of or being in possession, whether as owner, lessee, renter, or tenant, under statutory authority, or otherwise.

(3) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Agriculture of the State of Illinois, or his or her duly appointed representative.

(4) "Department" means the Department of Agriculture of the State of Illinois.

(5) "Noxious weed" means any plant which is determined by the Director, the Dean of the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences ~~Agriculture~~ of the University of Illinois and the Director of the Agricultural Experiment

Station at the University of Illinois, to be injurious to public health, crops, livestock, land or other property.

(6) "Control Authority" means the governing body of each county, and shall represent all rural areas and cities, villages and townships within the county boundaries.

(7) "Applicable fund" means the fund current at the time the work is performed or the money is received.

(Source: P.A. 77-1037.)

(505 ILCS 100/4) (from Ch. 5, par. 954)

Sec. 4. The duty of enforcing this Act and carrying out its provisions is vested in the Director, and the authorities designated in this Act acting under the supervision and direction of the Director. If a Control Authority fails to carry out its duties and responsibilities under this Act or fails to follow the Department's rules, the Director shall enforce this Act or rules by sending a Notice of Noncompliance to the Control Authority. The Director, the Dean of the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences ~~Agriculture~~ of the University of Illinois and the Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at the University of Illinois, shall determine what weeds are noxious for the purposes of this Act, and shall compile and keep current a list of such noxious weeds, which list shall be published and incorporated in the rules and regulations of the Department. The Director shall, from time to time, adopt and publish

methods as official for control and eradication of noxious weeds and make and publish such rules and regulations as in his judgment are necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act. (Source: P.A. 77-1037.)

(505 ILCS 100/14) (from Ch. 5, par. 964)

Sec. 14. To prevent the dissemination of noxious weeds through any article, including machinery, equipment, plants, materials and other things, the Director, in consultation with the Dean of the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences ~~Agriculture~~ of the University of Illinois and the Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at the University of Illinois, shall, from time to time, publish a list of noxious weeds which may be disseminated through articles and a list of articles capable of disseminating such weeds, and designate treatment of such articles as, in his opinion, would prevent such dissemination. Until such article is treated in accordance with the applicable regulations, it shall not be moved from such premises except under and in accordance with the written permission of the Control Authority having jurisdiction of the area in which such article is located, and the Control Authority may hold or prevent its movement from such premises. The movement of any such article which has not been so decontaminated, except in accordance with such written permission, may be stopped by the Control Authority having jurisdiction over the place in which

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such movement is taking place and further movement and disposition shall only be in accordance with such Control Authority's direction.

(Source: P.A. 77-1037.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.