ORDINANCE No. 572

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Kent, granting to officers or accredited agents of the State of Washington, and of King County, the right to examine every lot and parcel of land in the City of Kent, for the purpose of discovering whether said lot or parcel of land is infested with the pest commonly known as earwigs; and granting said officers or accredited agents the right to spread insecticides and earwig bait over said lot or parcel of land for the purpose of exterminating said earwigs; making an appropriation therefor, and providing a penalty.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF KENT DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the lots and parcels of land in the City of Kent have become infested with the pest commonly known as earwigs: that an emergency exists, and THEREFORE, the City of Kent hereby grants to the officers or accredited agents of the State of Washington and of King County, the right to visit and examine every lot and parcel of land in the said city of Kent, for the purpose of discovering whether said lots or parcels of land are infested with the pest commonly known as earwigs; and the officers or accredited agents are granted the right, and are empowered to spread insecticides and earwig bait over and on the premises for the purpose of exterminating said earwigs.

SECTION 2. The said officers or accredited agents in the performance of their duty as provided in Section 1 of this ordinance, shall use care in spreading said earwig bait, so as to not injure the foliage, garden or other growing shrubs, and they shall at all times while on or about said lots or parcels of land, be permitted only to inspect the same and spread said insecticides or earwig bait in a proper and legal manner, and for no other purpose.

SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to interfere with or restrain said officers or agents in the proper and legal performance of their duties as provided by this ordinance.

SECTION 4. There is hereby appropriated the sum of Three Hundred Dollars, or such part or portion thereof as may be needed for the purpose of carrying on said work, to be paid only upon vouchers duly made and presented by such officers or agents.

SECTION 5. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance as herein set forth, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars or more than One Hundred Dollars, or confined in the city or county jail for a period not less than ten or more than thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect five days after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed the Council May 21, 1928.

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