

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Department of Agriculture Law of the Civil  
5 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section  
6 205-15 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 205/205-15) (was 20 ILCS 205/40.7 and 205/40.8)  
8 Sec. 205-15. Promotional activities.

9 (a) The Department has the power to encourage and promote,  
10 in every practicable manner, the interests of agriculture,  
11 including horticulture, the livestock industry, dairying,  
12 cheese making, poultry, bee keeping, forestry, the production  
13 of wool, and all other allied industries. In furtherance of the  
14 duties set forth in this subsection (a), the Department may  
15 establish trust funds and bank accounts in adequately protected  
16 financial institutions to receive and disburse monies in  
17 connection with the conduct of food shows, food expositions,  
18 trade shows, and other promotional activities and to sell at  
19 cost, to qualified applicants, signs designating farms that  
20 have been owned for 100 years or more, ~~or~~ 150 years or more, or  
21 200 years or more by lineal or collateral descendants of the  
22 same family as "Centennial Farms", ~~or~~ "Sesquicentennial  
23 Farms", or "Bicentennial Farms" respectively. The Department

1 shall provide applications for the signs, which shall be  
2 submitted with the required fee. "Centennial Farms", ~~and~~  
3 "Sesquicentennial Farms", and "Bicentennial Farms" signs shall  
4 not contain within their design the name, picture, or other  
5 likeness of any elected public official or any appointed public  
6 official.

7 (b) The Department has the power to promote improved  
8 methods of conducting the several industries described in  
9 subsection (a) with a view to increasing the production and  
10 facilitating the distribution thereof at the least cost.

11 (Source: P.A. 90-598, eff. 1-1-99; 91-239, eff. 1-1-00; 91-717,  
12 eff. 6-2-00.)

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