

farmers, producers and growers commercially producing the commodities herein referred to shall be permitted by referendum to be held among the respective groups and subject to the provisions of this article, to levy upon themselves an assessment on such respective commodities or upon the acreage used in the production of the same and provide for the collection of the same, for the purpose of financing or contributing towards the financing of a program of advertising and other methods designed to increase the consumption of and the domestic as well as foreign markets for such agricultural products. Such assessments may also be used for the purpose of financing or contributing toward the financing of a program of production, use and sale of any and all such agricultural commodities.

83E.

Any existing ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency fairly representative of the growers and producers of any agricultural commodity herein referred to, and any such ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency hereafter created for and fairly representative of the growers or producers of any such agricultural commodity herein referred to, may at any time after the passage and ratification of this article make application to the Board of Agriculture of the State of Maryland for certification and approval for the purpose of conducting a referendum among the growers or producers of such particular agricultural commodity, for commercial purposes, upon the question of levying an assessment under the provisions of this article, collecting and utilizing the same for the purposes stated in such referendum.

83F.

Upon the filing with the Board of Agriculture of such application on the part of any ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency, the said Board of Agriculture shall within ~~thirty~~ NINETY days thereafter ~~meet and~~ consider such application; and if upon such consideration the said Board of Agriculture shall find that the ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency making such application is fairly representative of and has been duly chosen and delegated as representative of the growers producing such commodity, and shall otherwise find and determine that such application is in conformity with the provisions of this article and the purposes herein stated, then and in such an event it shall be the duty of the Board of Agriculture to certify such ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency as the duly delegated and authorized group or agency representative of the commercial growers and producers of such agricultural commodity, and shall likewise certify that such agency is duly authorized to conduct among the growers and producers of such commodity a referendum for the purposes herein stated.

83G.

Upon being so certified by the said Board of Agriculture in the manner hereinbefore set forth, such ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency shall thereupon be fully authorized and empowered to hold and conduct on the part of the producers and growers of such particular agricultural commodity a referendum on