

ANY FIRE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE SECRETARY OR A FOREST WARDEN ARE EQUALLY BORNE BY THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE FIRE OCCURRED AND BY THE STATE. THE COUNTY SHALL PAY THEM IN FULL UPON RECEIPT OF AN ITEMIZED ACCOUNT, WITH VOUCHERS APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY. THE STATE'S SHARE SHALL BE REFUNDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OUT OF ANY MONEY STANDING TO THE CREDIT OF THE STATE FOREST AND PARK FUND, UPON PRESENTATION OF THE ACCOUNTS, TOGETHER WITH EVIDENCE THAT THE COUNTY HAS PAID THE SUM IN FULL. NOTHING IN THIS SUBTITLE RELIEVES THE OWNER OR LESSEE OF LANDS UPON WHICH FIRES MAY BURN, OR BE STARTED, FROM THE DUTY OF EXTINGUISHING THE FIRES SO FAR AS MAY LIE WITHIN HIS POWER. AN OWNER OR LESSEE, OR HIS EMPLOYEE MAY NOT RECEIVE ANY COMPENSATION FROM THE STATE OR COUNTY FOR FIGHTING FIRES UPON HIS OR HIS EMPLOYER'S LANDS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Article 66C, section 349 of the Code. Reference to "county commissioners" is proposed for deletion since it is not the governing body in all counties. Rather than spell out all of the particular county government political structures, which could be subject to future revision, only the term "county" is used. It is not necessary to specify which governmental unit within the county makes the payment but only that the county is responsible for such payment. The only other changes made are in style.

5-703. NOTICES AS TO FOREST FIRES AND TRESPASS LAWS.

THE SECRETARY SHALL FURNISH NOTICES, PRINTED IN LARGE LETTERS, CALLING ATTENTION TO THE DANGERS OF FOREST FIRES, AND TO FOREST FIRE AND TRESPASS LAWS, AND THEIR PENALTIES. THE SECRETARY SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE NOTICES TO FOREST WARDENS WHO SHALL POST THEM IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES ON STATE FOREST RESERVES AND ALONG HIGHWAYS IN FOREST-COVERED COUNTRY. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO TEAR DOWN OR DEFACE ANY FOREST FIRE WARNING NOTICE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Article 66C, section 351 of the Code. The specific penalty provisions found in this section are proposed for deletion in light of uniform penalty provisions in this title. The uniform penalty provisions are patterned after those found in the motor