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CHAPTER 129.

AN ACT authorizing William Sommers and his associates to construct and maintain a dam across Pecor brook.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. William Sommers, his associates and assigns, are hereby authorized to construct and maintain a dam across Pecor brook, on the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section eighteen, town twenty-nine, range seventeen east, in Oconto county, for hydraulic and manufacturing purposes, and for the purpose of facilitating the driving of logs and timber down said stream; provided, that said dam shall not interfere with the rights of any person heretofore acquired.

Wm. Sommers
et al. author-
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dam.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication, but the legislature reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act at any time.

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CHAPTER 130.

AN ACT to protect fish in the waters of the Wolf river; the Fox river from the mouth of the Wolf river to the dam at De Pere, Brown county; Lakes Winnebago, Poygan, Winnebconne and Butte des Morts.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. No person or persons shall be allowed to set, place or use any gill, fyke, pound,

Gill, etc., nets
or snares not
to be used.

- seine, dip or other net or snare in the Wolf river, the Fox river from the mouth of the Wolf river to the dams at Neenah and Menasha, and lakes Winnebago, Poygan, Winneconne, and Butte des Morts, between the first day of February and the first day of August of each and every year; provided, however, that nothing in this act shall prevent or prohibit in any manner the catching of fish by means of hook and line at any time of the year, except that black bass shall not be taken in any manner between the first day of January and the first day of June in each year.
- Black bass, closed season.**
- Violations.** SECTION 2. Justices of the peace shall have full power to try and punish all violations of any of the provisions of this act.
- Shiners, chub, etc., how may be caught.** SECTION 3. This act shall not be construed to prevent the catching of shiners, chub, dace, suckers or stickleback for bait, by means of dip nets or minnow lines.
- What nets may be used.** SECTION 4. No kind of nets except a gill net, with meshes not smaller than three and one-half inches, stretch measure, for catching fish, and a dip net for catching bait, shall be set, used or placed in the waters of Lake Winnebago, and no net except a gill, a hoop or a dip net shall be used, set or placed in the waters of the Wolf and Fox rivers, as described in section 1, of this act, or in lakes Winneconne, Butte des Morts and Poygan; and no nets shall be set in the waters of the lower Fox river from the dams at Neenah and Menasha to the dam at De Pere, Brown county.
- Nets, where may not be used.** SECTION 5. No net of any kind shall be set, used or placed across the mouth of any channel, stream or river tributary to the waters described in section 1, of this act.
- Fish offal, not to be thrown overboard.** SECTION 6. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person or persons to throw overboard from any row, sail or steamboat or other craft, or throw into any waters mentioned in the title of this act, or any bays thereof, or streams emptying therein, any fish offal. Fish offal shall be construed to mean the cleanings of fish, such as heads, intestines, blood, and fish taken from nets. Any fisherman coming to the shore with fish in his boat dressed and having no offal in his boat, shall be deemed *prima facie* guilty of a violation of this section.

SECTION 7. Any fish or game warden, or deputy warden, or other person, is hereby authorized to destroy any net, seine, trap, snare, or other device, which is being illegally used in the waters described in this act.

Nets, seines, etc., may be destroyed.

SECTION 8. Any person violating any provision of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not less than twenty-five dollars and cost of prosecution, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty days, nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment; and on a second and subsequent conviction for a similar offense shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, and cost of prosecution, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than ninety days, nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. One-half of said fine shall be paid to the complainant, and the remainder to the state treasurer, who will credit the same to the general fund.

Penalties.

SECTION 9. All other acts heretofore passed in reference to fishing in the waters above set forth and the territory described, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 131.

AN ACT to amend section 2464, Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 85, laws of 1891, relating to county courts.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend section 2464, Revised Statutes, as it is amended by chapter 85, laws of 1891,

Amends sec. 2464, R. S., as amended.