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CHAPTER 266.

AN ACT for the preservation of fish in Dane county.

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

SECTION 1. No person, between the first day closed season of March and the tenth day of May of each year, Fish, how not to be taken. shall take, catch or kill, or attempt to do so any fish of any kind from the lakes in Dane county, known as Wingra, Waubesa, Kegonsa, Monona and Mendota, or from any streams or waters in said county connected therewith, nor shall have in his possession any such fish when so taken, caught or killed, and at no time during the year, shall any fish be taken or attempted to be taken from any of said lakes and waters by the use of any spear, gun, dynamite or other explosive, or net; except that white fish may be taken with a dip net having a hoop not exceeding thirty inches in diameter, and then only between the fifteenth day of November and the fifteenth day of December, and except also that suckers, carp, red-horse and bull-heads may be taken with a spear between the first and twenty-fifth days of May in each year, in any running stream in Dane county outside of said lakes.

SECTION 2. Angling or trolling with the com- Angling or mon hook and line shall be the only lawful lawful lawful method method or manner of taking or catching any kind of fish during the open season from any of the lakes or waters aforesaid, except that minnows other than young bass, pike and pickerel, may be taken at any time and in any manner.

SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful and is pro- Five lines perhibited for any person to fish in, or on, any of ings on ice said lakes, or said waters, with more than five prohibited. five lines to each person, nor with more than one

hook attached to each line. It shall further be unlawful and is prohibited to construct upon the ice of any said lakes, or said waters, any building or enclosure of any nature whatsoever, which shall conceal the person of the occupant while engaged in fishing through the ice, or to occupy any building or enclosure while engaged in fishing through the ice.

Penalty for violations.

SECTION 4. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon a conviction shall be adjudged to pay a fine for the first offense of not less than twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars; and for any subsequent offense a like fine, and to be imprisoned in the county jail not less than ten nor more than thirty days. The possession in said county of any fish common to any of such lakes or waters, shall, during the period of total prohibition stated in the first section of this act, be deemed prima facie evidence that the same was taken, caught or killed in said waters in violation of this act.

Who may make arrests. Rewards may be offered. Section 5. The sheriff of said county and his deputies, and the state fish and game warden and his deputies, and each and every constable in said county, and the several police officers of the cities and villages in said county, are charged with the execution of this act and may arrest, with or without warrant, in any part of the county, any person violating the same, and bring him before the proper court for trial. The common council of the city of Madison, the board of supervisors of any town in said county may offer and pay suitable rewards for the apprehension and conviction of any person violating the provisions of this act.

Disposition of flues.

SECTION 6. One-third of the fines imposed and collected under this act shall be paid to the person informing of the offense and prosecuting the offender to conviction; one-third shall be paid by the magistrate before whom the matter shall have been tried and the fines imposed, to the county treasurer, and shall be by him designated

and set apart as a fund for the protection of fish and game, to reimburse the county for the moneys which it shall expend for the enforcement of the fish and game laws, and the remainder shall go to the school fund, as provided by law.

SECTION 7. All acts and parts of acts, relating specially to the preservation of fish in said lakes and streams and conflicting with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 267.

AN ACT to amend the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, relating to the protection of aquatic fowl.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4563 of the Wisconsin Spring shootstatutes of 1898, is hereby amended to read as foliated. lows: Any person who shall take, catch or kill any wild duck, brant, or any aquatic fowl, including snipe, excepting wild geese, between the first day of January and the succeeding first day of September, or take or kill any swan at any time shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten nor more than sixty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment: provided that nothing in this act shall be so construed to permit the taking, catch-