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CHAPTER 449.

AN ACT prohibiting the sale of game and amending section 4563 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1899.

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

Sale of game prohibited. SECTION 1. Whoever shall sell, or offer for sale, have in his possession for the purpose of sale, or shall barter, trade or exchange for other property, or shall have in his possession for the purpose of barter, trade or exchange for other property, or whoever shall purchase, or receive in exchange for other property, or having in his possession after purchase, or receiving in exchange for other property, within the limits of this state the meat or flesh of any doe, buck or fawn (commonly known as venison), or any wild duck of any variety, wild goose, brant or any other aquatic bird, or any woodcock, partridge, pheasant, prairie chicken or prairie hen, grouse of any variety, plover, snipe, Mongolian, Chinese or English pheasant, or quail of any variety, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars, and not more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Spring shooting. SECTION 2. Section 4563 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by section 1, chapter 267, laws of 1899, is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 4563. It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue any wild duck, brant or other aquatic fowl, including wild geese and snipe, between the first day of January and the succeeding tenth day of April, and between the twenty-fifth day of April and the succeeding first day of September. Provided, that it shall be unlawful to take or kill swan at any time, and provided further, that it shall be unlawful to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue any teal, mallard or wood duck during the open season between April tenth and April twenty-fifth. No person

shall during the open season in April kill more than fifteen ducks in any one day. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and 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 twenty days nor more than sixty days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 450.

AN ACT to establish a system of state forests and promote improved methods of forestry; making an appropriation therefor; providing for the disposition of the public lands; and amendatory of chapter 15 and 73a of the statutes of 1898.

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

State forest commission; compensation; quorum. SECTION 1. There is hereby established a department of state forestry to be organized and to perform such duties as herein provided. The governor shall appoint two persons, who with the attorney general, secretary of state and state treasurer acting ex-officio, shall constitute the board of state forest commissioners, and as such shall perform such duties and exercise such authority as may be conferred upon them by law. They shall receive no compensation except their actual disbursements to be audited by the secretary of state, and paid out of the state treasury. Any three members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business.

Superintendent; salary; duties of. SECTION 2. The board shall appoint a superintendent of state forests who shall receive a salary of two thousand five hundred dollars annually and his