state treasurer may deem proper shall be applied in extinguishing the certificates of indebtedness of the state in favor of the trust funds, and the portion of the surplus to be so applied, as determined by said officers, is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

(Section 172-2.) 3. There is annually appropriated beginning July 1, 1915, not to exceed five thousand dollars, payable from any moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, for the executive department for the purpose of employing expert accountants and clerical help as provided for in section 1069a.

SECTION 2. Section 1069a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1069a. After all the certificates of indebtedness of the state in favor of the trust funds have been extinguished, as provided in section 172—1 of the statutes, whenever in the opinion of the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer, or a majority of them, the public interest requires it, they may apply the surplus in the treasury, or so much thereof as may be by them deemed proper, as a portion of the state tax levy in each year, and the balance thereof, after deducting the amount above provided for under the provisions of section 1070. For the purpose of ascertaining the financial condition of the state at the end of each calendar year the governor is authorized to employ such expert accountants and other assistants as he shall deem necessary for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 478.

- AN ACT to amend subsection 6 of section 4560a—12, subdivision (a), of section 4562e, subsection 1 of section 4565c—1 and subdivisions (1), (1a) and (5) of subsection 1 of section 4565c—5 of the statutes, and to create subdivision (7) of subsection 1 of section 4565c—5 of the statutes, relating to a close season for certain game fish in the lakes of Washington county and for various game and birds in Washington and Ozaukee counties.
- The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection 6 of section 4560a—12, subdivision (a) of section 4562e, subsection 1 of section 4565c—1 and subdivi-

sions (1), (1a) and (5) of subsection 1 of section 4565c-5 of the statutes are amended to read: (Section 4560a-12) 6. In all inland waters, except as herein specified, the close season for game fish, except trout of any variety, or sturgeon shall be from the first day of March to the thirtieth day of May next succeeding; in Beaver Dam lake or pond, and in Fox Lake, in Dodge county, Pike Lake and Cedar lakes in Washington county, and Neshkora mill pond in Marquette county the close season for pickerel, and in all the lakes in Washington county the close season for crappic, shall be from the first day of March to the first day of May next succeeding.

(Section 4562e) (a) Any woodcock, plover or snipe, between the thirtieth day of November and the succeeding seventh day of September, and any partridge between the thirty-first day of October and the succeeding seventh day of September, and in the counties of Washington and Ozaukee it shall be unlawful to take, catch or kill or have in possession more than two partridges in any one day or to sell or dispose of any such partridge, or

(Section 4565c—1) 1. It shall be unlawful and is hereby prohibited to hunt, take, kill or pursue rabbits with ferrets, or to have a ferret or ferrets in possession while hunting, or to take, catch or kill rabbits by means of any pit, pitfall, trap or snare at any time in the counties of Washington and Ozaukee; provided that in Door, Grant, Vernon, Richland and Crawford counties it shall be lawful for the owner or occupant of any land or for any other person upon the written request of such owner or occupant, to hunt, take, kill or pursue rabbits with ferrets on any such land. A closed season for the hunting of rabbits in Manitowoe county is hereby created.

(Section 4565c---5, 1.) (1) Any rabbit, gray, fox or black squirrel between the first day of February and the tenth day of October next succeeding. * • • excepting that in Dodge. Jefferson, Manitowoc, Ozaukee, Washington and Waukesha counties it shall be unlawful to take, catch, kill, hunt, or pursue any rabbit between the first day of January and the first day of November next succeeding; and excepting further that in the counties of Eau Claire. • • • Portage, Waupaca, Richland, Vernon and Waushara, it shall be unlawful to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue any rabbit, gray, fox or black squirrel between the first day of February and the tenth day of September next succeeding; it shall also be unlawful in the counties of Dodge and Jefferson * * * to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue any gray, fox or black squirrel between the first day of January and the first day of November next succeeding, or in the

county of Pierce any rabbit between the first day of February and the tenth day of September next succeeding: but in the counties of Crawford, Grant, Iowa, Kenosha, LaFayette, Sauk, Door, Bayfield, Chippewa, Douglas, Price, Rusk, Taylor, Racine, Burnett, Polk, Barron, St. Croix, Monroe. Winnebago. Langlade, Forest, Florence, Shawano, Jackson, Clark, Sawyer, Washburn, Ashland, Buffalo, Pepin, Oconto, Adams, Marquette, Fond du Lac, Oneida, Iron, Vilas, Marathon, Kewaunee, Milwaukee, Lincoln, Columbia, Calumet and Brown there shall be no close season for the hunting of rabbits. ۰ . It shall be unlawful to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue any squirrels of any variety in Waukesha county at any time, or in the counties of Kenosha. Pierce and Racine before the first day of • • October, A. D. 1921, or in the counties of Ozaukee and Washington before the first day of October. A. D. 1918.

(1a) It shall be unlawful in Waushara, • • Washington and Ozaukee counties to take, catch or kill or have in possession in any one day more than ten rabbits; or in Dodge, Jefferson, Waukesha and Manitowoc counties more than fifteen rabbits;
• • or in Dodge and Jefferson counties more than fifteen gray, fox or black squirrels or in Waushara county more than ten gray, fox or black squirrels; or in Washington and Ozaukee counties more than five gray, fox or black squirrels; or black squirrels;

(5) Any raccoon in Washington and Ozaukee counties between the fifteenth day of December and the fifteenth day of November next succeeding and in all other counties between the first day of February and the first day of November next succeeding.

SECTION 2. There is added to subsection 1 of section 4565c— 5 of the statutes a new subdivision to read: (Section 4565c—5. 1.) (7) Any skunk, in Washington county, between the first day of February and the tenth day of October next succeeding.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect when published.

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