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CHAPTER 460.

AN ACT to declare the policy of the state in reference to dams on the Brule river and its tributaries in the county of Douglas, state of Wisconsin; to repeal all acts authorizing the construction of dams on the Brule river or its tributaries in said county, and to prevent corporations organized under chapter 86 of the laws of 1898 from exercising any of the powers or privileges authorized or conferred by sections 1777, 1777a, 1777b, 1777c, 1777d, 1777e and 1777f, in and upon, across or along Brule river or its tributaries in the county of Douglas, Wisconsin.

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

Dams on Brule river prohibited. SECTION 1. It is hereby declared to be the purpose and policy of the state to forever prohibit the building or maintaining of any dam or dams upon the Brule river or any of its tributaries in Douglas county, Wisconsin, and all rights, privileges and franchises heretofore granted to any person or corporation authorizing the improvement of said Brule river or its tributaries in said county of Douglas for any purpose whatever, are hereby repealed and declared void, whether granted by special act or under general law. It is further declared that it shall be the policy of the state to form a forest reserve of lands about and along the said Brule river and its tributaries. Provided that nothing herein contained shall apply to or in any manner affect or interfere with the rights granted by chapter 181 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1903, nor shall this act be construed as recognizing any rights or privileges as having been granted or as now existing under or by virtue of said chapter 181.

Corporate powers withdrawn. SECTION 2. Hereafter no corporation organized under chapter 86 of the statutes of 1898, shall be empowered to exercise any of the powers or privileges authorized or conferred by sections 1777, 1777a, 1777b, 1777c, 1777d, 1777e, 1777f of the statutes of 1898 in, upon, across or

along the Brule river or any of its tributaries in the county of Douglas, state of Wisconsin.

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

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CHAPTER 461.

AN ACT to provide fishways in dams, booms, piers and other obstructions in the streams and rivers of this state, adopting a specified fishway and providing a punishment for failure to comply.

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

Fishways in dams, booms and piers required. SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of all and every person, persons, firms or corporations owning, managing, occupying or having in charge, any dam, boom, pier or other obstruction of any kind whatsoever, in, on or across any stream or river inhabited by any kind of game fish, to construct and maintain in or upon such dam, boom, pier or other obstruction a fishway of the kind hereinafter adopted, within three months after said owner, occupant, manager, person, or persons having the charge or control of any such dam, boom, pier or other obstruction, shall have been notified in writing by the commissioners of fisheries of the state of Wisconsin, to build and construct such fishway or fishways.

Fishway to be kept open and in repair. SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of each and every person, persons, firm or corporation owning, managing, occupying or having in charge any such dam, boom, pier or other obstruction in or across any stream or river in this state inhabited by any kind of game fish, to keep and maintain such fishway in good repair and open for the easy and free passage of fish up and down such streams or rivers,