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CHAPTER 514.

AN ACT relating to the close season for fur bearing animals, and amending section 4565 of the statutes of 1898, as amended by section 11, chapter 358, laws of 1901, and section 11, chapter 437, laws of 1903.

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

Fur bearing animals, closed season for hunting. SECTION 1. Section 4565c of the statutes of 1898, as amended by section 11, chapter 358, laws of 1901, and section 11, chapter 437, laws of 1903, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 4565c. It shall be unlawful * * * to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue and rabbit, *grey fox* or *black squirrel*, between the first day of March and the first day of September next succeeding; or to take, catch, kill, trap, hunt or pursue any beaver at any time; or * * * any fisher, marten * * * or mink between the first day of *March* and the *first day of November next succeeding*; or any *otter* between the *fifteenth day of February* and the *first day of November next succeeding*; or any *muskrat* between the *first day of May* and the *first day of November next succeeding*; or to destroy or molest any muskrat house at any time, or to take, catch, kill, hunt or pursue any muskrat by the means of a spear or gun.

All guns, traps, boats or other implements used in violating any provisions of this section, and all game taken in violation thereof may be seized, confiscated and sold by any warden as provided by law. Provided, however, that nothing contained in this section shall be construed so as to prohibit the owner or occupant of any land from hunting and killing rabbits * * * thereon at any time without a license. * * *

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars and the costs of prosecution or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than twenty days nor more than sixty days or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved June 20, 1905.