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CHAPTER 344.

AN ACT to create section 29.13a of the statutes, relating to muskrat farmers' licenses.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: 29.13a (1) Muskrat farmers' licenses which shall authorize the licensee to engage in the business of breeding and selling muskrats shall be issued subject to the provisions of section 29.09 by the state conservation commission to any person duly applying therefor.

(2) In addition to the facts required by section 29.09 each such license, and the application therefor, shall state the description of the premises to be covered by the license, the number of acres comprised in said description, and that the applicant or licensee is the owner or lessee thereof. The minimum fee for each such license shall be five dollars per year, and an additional charge of one cent per acre shall be paid for all premises covered by the license in excess of five hundred acres.

(3) Any such licensee and his employes may take, trap, kill, possess, transport, or sell any muskrats found upon the premises covered by such license at any time during the open season therefor, and such muskrats may be taken on such premises by said licensee and his employes in any manner whatsoever, except by shooting and spearing, provided however, that all such employes shall be required to take out the ordinary trappers' license.

(4) On or about the first day of June of each year such licensee shall make a report to the state conservation commission covering the period from the first day of May to the thirtieth day of April next preceding, upon blanks furnished by the commission, stating the number of his license, the total number and value of muskrats killed, transported or sold during said period under the provisions of this section, the names of the persons to whom the same were transported or sold, and such other information as may be required on the blanks furnished. Each such report shall be verified by the affidavit of the licensee.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved June 11, 1919.