

## LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

## FILE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No.

836

Session of  
1919.

INTRODUCED BY MR. KANTNER, MARCH 10, 1919.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME,  
MARCH 11, 1919.

## AN ACT

To amend section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws five hundred and seventy-two) entitled "An act to provide for the protection and preservation of game game-quadrupeds and game birds and song and insectivorous and other wild birds and prescribing penalties for violation of its several provisions"

1 Section 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*  
2 *sentatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly*  
3 *met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That*  
4 *section fourteen of an act approved the seventh day of*  
5 *June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet*  
6 *Laws five hundred and seventy-two) entitled "An act to*  
7 *provide for the protection and preservation of game game-*  
8 *quadrupeds and game-birds and song and insectivorous and*  
9 *other wild birds and prescribing penalties for violation of*  
10 *its several provisions" which reads as follows*

1 "Section 14 It shall be unlawful for any person ex-  
2 cepting as provided for in this act to take or kill or  
3 wound or to attempt to take or kill or wound or have  
4 in possession either living or dead any game-bird or game-  
5 animal or any part of such bird or animal protected by  
6 this act The open season for game-birds and animals shall  
7 be as follows

8 For the ruffed-grouse commonly called pheasant Virginia  
9 partridge commonly called quail woodcock ringnecked pheas-  
10 ants Hungarian quail the red gray black and fox squir-  
11 rel from the twentieth day of October to the thirtieth  
12 day of November For the wild-turkey from the fifteenth  
13 day of November to the thirtieth day of November For  
14 the wild rabbit and the hare from the first day of No-  
15 vember to the fifteenth day of December For the raccoon  
16 from the first day of September to the thirty-first day  
17 of December For bear from the fifteenth day of October  
18 to the fifteenth day of December For male deer with  
19 antlers extending not less than two inches above the hair  
20 from the first day of December to the fifteenth day of  
21 the same month For upland or grass plover from the  
22 first day of August to the thirtieth day of November  
23 For the rail coot or mud-hen reed-bird sandpiper tattler  
24 curlew Wilson or jack-snipe the birds commonly called  
25 blackbirds or any other shore bird excepting woodcock from  
26 the first day of September to the thirtieth day of No-  
27 vember For all kinds of birds known as wild water-fowl  
28 from the fifteenth day of September to the thirty-first day  
29 of January next following

1 Any person who shall violate any provisions of this  
2 section shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dol-  
3 lars for each deer and a penalty of fifty dollars for  
4 each bear and a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each  
5 wild-turkey or ruffed grouse or quail or woodcock or ring-  
6 necked pheasant and a penalty of ten dollars for each  
7 rabbit or hare or squirrel or raccoon or wild water-fowl  
8 or shore-bird other than a woodcock or plover or reed-  
9 bird or blackbird killed or taken or attempted to be  
10 killed or taken or had in possession at a time other  
11 than that fixed as the open season for such animals and  
12 birds or in any manner contrary to this section Provided  
13 however That ring-necked pheasants raised strictly in cap-  
14 tivity may be killed by the owner of such birds upon  
15 lands such person may own or control without regard to  
16 numbers during the open season for ring-necked pheasants  
17 and that any game-bird or animal raised strictly in cap-  
18 tivity and killed or captured within such place of con-  
19 finement without being first released in the Commonwealth  
20 at large may be killed or captured at any season of  
21 the year without regard to sex or numbers or age and  
22 may be sold or given away within the Commonwealth  
23 either alive or dead under the rules and regulations of  
24 the Board of Game Commissioners pertaining to the mark-  
25 ing and tagging of game raised in licensed preserves Pro-  
26 vided also That those birds commonly known as black-  
27 birds may be killed by the owner or lessee of lands  
28 or by a legitimate employe of such owner or lessee when  
29 upon the property under their control such birds may be

1 destroying either the eggs or the young of other birds  
2 or growing crops or grain or cultivated fruit or berries  
3 and the Board of Game Commissioners shall have author-  
4 ity to direct the killing of those birds commonly called  
5 blackbirds when satisfied that such birds have from any  
6 cause become a nuisance in the section wherein they may  
7 be located" is hereby amended to read as follows

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9 as provided for in this act to take or kill or wound  
10 or to attempt to take or kill or wound or have in  
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26 not less than two inches above the hair from the first  
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18 than that fixed as the open season for such animals  
19 and birds or in any manner contrary to this section  
20 Provided however That ring-necked pheasants raised strictly  
21 in captivity may be killed by the owner of such birds  
22 upon lands such person may own or control without re-  
23 gard to numbers during the open season for ring-necked  
24 pheasants and that any game-bird or animal raised strictly  
25 in captivity and killed or captured within such place of  
26 confinement without being first released in the Commonwealth  
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