

society, shall hold, annually, at least [six] *two* regular meetings that shall be open to the public, and shall at all times maintain facilities for the free storage, deposit, and inspection of official documents and records of the city, and other proper public or historical archives and records.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 25th day of March, A. D. 1943.

EDWARD MARTIN

No. 14

AN ACT

To further amend sections twenty, fifty, seventy-two and two hundred sixty-five of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, four hundred forty-eight), entitled "An act relating to fish; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the Commonwealth," by further regulating the taking of fish from inland waters and the possession thereof.

The Fish Law of 1925.

Act of May 2, 1925, P. L. 448, section 20, clause (c) as amended by act of June 25, 1937, P. L. 2120, further amended.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section twenty of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws, four hundred forty-eight), entitled "An act relating to fish; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the Commonwealth," as last amended by the act, approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws, eighty-one), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 20. Closed Seasons.—The following seasons are hereby established for:

(a) Charr, commonly called brook trout, or any species of trout except lake or salmon trout, beginning on the first day of August to five o'clock antemeridian on the fifteenth day of April next following. There shall be no fishing of any sort whatsoever between the hour of five o'clock postmeridian on the fourteenth day of April and the hour of five o'clock antemeridian on the fifteenth day of April in any stream which has been stocked by the board with any of the fish for which this paragraph prescribes a season;

(b) Lake trout or salmon trout, from the thirtieth day of September to the thirtieth day of June next following, both dates inclusive;

(c) Small mouth and large mouth bass, white bass, crappie, strawberry or calico bass, pike-perch otherwise

called walled-eyed pike, or Susquehanna salmon, pickerel, muskellunge, western and northern pike, from the first day of December to the thirtieth day of June next following, both dates inclusive: Provided, however, That pickerel *and perch* may be caught and taken, not exceeding the daily creel limits fixed by this act, during the months of December and January, but only when tip-ups are employed while fishing through holes in the ice.

Section 2. Sections fifty and seventy-two of said act, as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred one), are hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 50. Devices to Catch Game-fish, Bait-fish, and Fish-bait.—No person shall use any device, means, or method whatsoever, except as in this article otherwise provided, for taking fish from the waters within this Commonwealth, except the following; that is to say, for:

Act of May 2,
1925, P. L. 448,
section 50, as
amended by act
of May 25, 1937.
P. L. 801,
further amended.

(a) Game-fish, two rods and two lines and one hand line, with not more than three hooks attached to either line.

(b) Bait-fish, and fish-bait, two rods and two lines, with not more than three hooks attached to each line; a dip-net, or minnow seine not over four feet square or four feet in diameter; a minnow trap, with not more than one opening, which shall not exceed one inch in diameter. The rods, hooks, and lines must be under the immediate control of the person using the same.

(c) Pickerel *and perch* not more than five tip-ups* when fishing only through holes in the ice.

(d) It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take fish of any kind by the methods known as snatch-fishing, foul hooking, or snag-fishing, or the taking or fishing for fish with hook or hooks, baited or otherwise attached to rod or line or other device for the taking of or fishing for fish with any device whatsoever which may be used to capture any fish by engaging such device in, to or with any part of the body of a fish.

(e) Eels in rivers of this Commonwealth, in addition to such rods and lines, eel chutes from the first day of August to the last day of November in each year, Sundays excepted, but only from four o'clock in the afternoon to eight o'clock in the morning on such days, when a special license therefor, in addition to the regular fishing license, has been first secured. Eel chutes to be lawful shall not have any wings of netting of any kind, or any cloth or wire netting, but shall be constructed of wooden slats or lath which shall not be closer than one-half inch in the bottom. Eel chutes shall not be more than five feet long, and the width of entrance of an eel chute shall not be more than ten feet. A metal

* "tips-up" in original.

tag, issued at the time the special license is secured, shall be securely fastened to the eel chute in a conspicuous place.

No wing walls of stone or other material shall be constructed for more than three-fourths of the distance across any river. The heads of no two wing walls when constructed side by side, shall be closer together than a distance of twenty feet.

All eel chutes must be kept free of rubbish, and all game fish found therein must be immediately returned to the water of the river uninjured.

During the hours of each day, and on Sunday, when the operation and use of eel chutes is not legal under this section, a portion of the bottoms of such chutes shall be removed to facilitate the unobstructed passage of fishes.

(f) It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take fish of any kind by trolling from a moving boat electrically propelled or propelled by an internal combustion motor.

Act of May 2,
1925, P. L. 448,
section 72, as
amended by act
of May 25, 1937,
P. L. 801,
further amended.

Section 72. Closed Season.—No person shall catch, take, or have in possession—the same being killed—any game-fish from the first day of December to the fourteenth day of June next ensuing, both dates inclusive: Provided, however, That pickerel *and perch* may be caught and taken, not exceeding the daily creel limits fixed by this act, during the months of December and January, but only when tip-ups are employed while fishing through holes in the ice.

Any person violating the provisions of sections seventy-one or seventy-two of this act shall on conviction, in the manner provided in chapter fourteen of this act, be subject to a penalty of five dollars for each and every fish caught, killed, or had in possession.

In addition to such penalty, the license of such person may be revoked for one year for the first offense, and two or more years for the second offense, at the discretion of the Board.

Section 3. Section two hundred sixty-five of said act, as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred thirty-four), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Act of May 2,
1925, P. L. 448,
section 265, as
amended by act
of June 24, 1939,
P. L. 834,
further amended.

Section 265. Sunday Fishing Lawful, Exception.—It is lawful to fish in any of the waters wholly within or on the boundaries of this Commonwealth for any species of fish during the open season therefor with not more than two rods and two lines and one hand line with not more than three hooks attached to either line, and [it is also lawful] to take bait-fish and fish-bait with a dip-net or minnow seine not over four feet square or four feet in diameter, a minnow trap with not more

than one opening which shall not exceed one inch in diameter, and it is also lawful to catch and take pickerel and perch when tip-ups are used while fishing through holes in the ice, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, if the consent of the owner or lessee of the land, abutting on a stream or body of water and of the bed thereunder where the fishing is done, has first been secured, but no such consent shall be required to fish in the manner above provided in a stream or body of water on State-owned or Federal lands, nor in a river or body of water the bed of which is publicly owned, except where the fishing is done from abutting land privately owned, in which case the consent of the owner or lessee shall first have been secured. It is unlawful to fish on any Sunday in any other manner than hereinbefore provided, or in streams and waters contrary to the provisions of this section. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall on conviction, as provided in chapter fourteen of this act, be subject to a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

APPROVED—The 31st day of March, A. D. 1943.

EDWARD MARTIN

No. 15

AN ACT

To amend paragraph A of section four hundred one of the act, approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws, five hundred sixty-five), entitled "An act relating to the powers and duties of the Department of Banking and the Secretary of Banking in exercising supervision over, and taking possession of and conducting or liquidating the business and property of, corporations, associations, and persons receiving deposits or otherwise transacting a banking business, corporations acting as fiduciaries, and building and loan associations; providing for the payment of the expenses of the Department of Banking by supervised corporations, associations, or persons, and appropriating the Banking Department Fund; authorizing the Department of Banking, under certain circumstances, to examine corporations, associations, or persons affiliated, or having business transactions with supervised corporations, associations or persons; authorizing appeals to the Supreme Court, and prescribing and limiting the powers and duties of certain other courts and their prothonotaries, registers of wills, recorders of deeds, and certain State departments, commissions, and officers; authorizing certain local public officers and State departments to collect fees for services rendered under this act; providing penalties; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts," by requiring the Department of Banking, for a limited period of time, to examine all institutions thoroughly at least once every two years instead of each year, as provided by law.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Department of
Banking Code.