

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

The Mental Health Act of 1951.

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 344, act of June 12, 1951 (P. L. 533), known as "The Mental Health Act of 1951," amended May 31, 1956 (P. L. 1897), is amended to read:

Subsection (a), section 344, act of June 12, 1951, P. L. 533, amended May 31, 1956, P. L. 1897, further amended.

Section 344. Petition for Commitment of Prisoner or Person Released on Bail—

(a) Petition for the commitment of *the following may be made to the court under the order of which such person is detained or which has jurisdiction of the charge—*

(1) Any person detained in any penal or correctional institution who is thought to be mentally ill or in such condition that he requires care in a mental hospital, or who is thought to be a mental defective, except as provided in clause (3) hereof.

(2) Any person charged with a crime and released on bail pending trial who is thought to be mentally ill or a mental defective [may be made to the court under the order of which such person is detained or which has jurisdiction of the charge].

(3) Any person whose penalty for crime has been fixed at death by a court or jury, or who has been sentenced to death, and it shall appear that such person is insane and such insanity shall have occurred since the penalty was fixed or sentence imposed. The term "insanity," as used in [this] clause (3) hereof, shall mean that such person does not have capacity to understand the nature and object of the proceedings against him, to comprehend his own condition in reference to such proceedings, to understand the nature of the punishment to be inflicted upon him, and to confer with his counsel with reference thereto.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 153

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P. L. 1225), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further regulating the duration of field meets or trials.

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

The Game Law.

Section 720, act of June 3, 1937, P. L. 1225, amended May 24, 1956, P. L. 1736, further amended.
Field trials.

Section 1. Section 720, act of June 3, 1937 (P. L. 1225), known as "The Game Law," amended May 24, 1956 (P. L. 1736), is amended to read:

Section 720. Permits for Field Trials.—It shall be lawful to hold field meets or trials, where dogs are permitted to work on liberated or native wild game in exhibition or contest, provided due diligence is exercised by those directing such meet, or participating therein, to prevent the injury or killing of the game being pursued, at any time during daylight hours from the first day of August to the close of the training season as fixed by this act, or by resolution of the commission, without first securing a permit; and from the close of such training season to the [thirtieth day of April] *thirty-first day of July* after having secured a permit as hereinafter required.

Led games.

It shall also be lawful to hold field meets or trials for dogs with led game animals or with drags at any time between the sixteenth day of April and the nineteenth day of August next following after having secured a permit as hereinafter required.

Permit.

Fee.

Such permits may be issued by the director upon proper application and the payment of a fee of five dollars for each such trial held on not to exceed five consecutive days. A representative of the commission shall supervise all such meets and enforce any rules and regulations of the commission governing the same.

Hunter's license not required.

It is unlawful for three or more persons to hold, or participate in, a field trial or meet without first securing the permit required by this section. Participants in a recognized field trial or meet shall not be required to be possessed of either a hunter's license or a tag while participating in such field trials.

Penalty.

Any person who shall violate any provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of twenty-five dollars and costs of prosecution for each offense.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 13th day of June, A. D. 1957.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 154

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P. L. 1225), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," authorizing the Pennsylvania Game Commission to accept donations for game purposes.