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Fish

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Sincerely,

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SECTION 1. That it shall be lawful in all counties of this State having a population of not less than 35,100 nor more than 35,150, according to the Federal Census of 1930 or any subsequent Federal Census, to catch or take fish from the streams in said counties by the means of baskets and traps, constructed as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 2. That the traps to be used under the provisions of this Act shall have their slats at least two and one-half inches apart, and no trap placed in any running stream shall be so placed as to occupy the whole width of the stream or in such a way as to prevent the free passage of fish up and down the stream, and all baskets shall have slats at least two inches apart.

SECTION 3. That in case the person desiring to catch fish is not the owner of the land through which the stream runs, he shall be required to obtain permission from such land owner for placing his trap or basket in the waters, and in case the stream is the dividing line between two or more land owners, he shall be required to obtain permission from all such land owners.

SECTION 4. That one person shall not use at the same time more than one trap or basket.

SECTION 5. That the taking of fish by the means and methods above set out, shall be lawful between April 15, of each year and October 1 provided the person so taking the same has purchased his hunting and fishing license.

SECTION 6. That it shall be unlawful to take game fish by the above methods.

SECTION 7. That any person violating the provisions of this law shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$25.00.

SECTION 8. That all laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this Act, and the same are hereby repealed, and that this Act take effect from and after its passage, the Public Welfare requiring it.

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