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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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**Chapter 69.**

An Act to prevent the fraudulent sale and use of Railroad Tickets.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1. No person other than a duly authorized agent of the railroad company issuing the same shall sell, offer for sale, or loan any railroad mileage books or any coupons therefrom, or any other railroad ticket limited to the use of a person or persons thereon specified at the time of its issuance by the railroad company, under a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each offense, to be recovered on complaint.

Sale of railroad mileage books and limited tickets, except by duly authorized agents, forbidden.

—penalty.

Section 2. No person, other than one specified in any railroad mileage book, or other railroad ticket, limited to the use of a person or persons specified thereon, at the time of its issuance by the railroad company, shall offer for passage or in payment for transportation on any railroad, any such mileage book, or coupons therefrom, or any other railroad ticket limited as aforesaid, under a penalty of not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars for each offense, to be recovered on complaint.

Use of such books and tickets restricted to persons issued to.

—penalty.

Section 3. Any railroad company which shall issue a mileage book limited to a person or persons named therein, shall, upon presentation thereof by the person to whom such book was issued or his legal representatives, at some one or more of its principal stations in each county through which its road runs, to be designated by such company, at any time after one year from the time when such book was issued, redeem all the coupons then attached to such book at the same rate per mile as such mileage book was sold at.

Limited mileage books may be re-deemed by railroad issuing same in one year after same was issued.

Approved March 14, 1899.

**Chapter 70.**

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1. Section six of chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by striking out of the last line of said section the words "month and the," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 6, chapter 285, public laws, 1897, amended.

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Inspection  
of mackerel  
and how  
branded.

'Section 6. Mackerel of the best quality, not mutilated, measuring, when split, not less than thirteen inches from the extremity of the head to the crotch or fork of the tail, free from taint, rust or damage, shall be branded 'Number one;' the next best quality, being not less than eleven inches, measuring as aforesaid, free from taint, rust or damage, shall be branded 'Number two;' those that remain after the above selection, free from taint or damage, and not less than thirteen inches, measuring as aforesaid, shall be branded 'Number three large;' those of the next inferior, free from taint or damage, not less than ten inches, measured as aforesaid, shall be branded 'Number three small;' all other mackerel, free from taint or damage, shall be branded 'Number three small.' The inspector shall brand in plain letters on the head of every such cask, the weight, the initials of his christian name, the whole of his surname, the name of his town, and the letters 'Me.,' and an abridgment in figures of the year when packed.'

Section 7,  
amended.

Section 2. Section seven of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out of the eighth line thereof the word "seventeen," and inserting in place thereof the words 'not less than sixteen and one-half,' and by striking out of the tenth line thereof the word "twenty-nine" and inserting in place thereof the word 'twenty-eight,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

How bar-  
rels and  
casks shall  
be made.

'Section 7. All barrels and casks used for packing pickled fish, shall be made of sound, well seasoned white oak, white ash, spruce, pine, chestnut, or poplar staves with heading of either of such kinds of wood, sound, well planed and seasoned, and when of pine, free from sap, and the barrels hooped with at least three strong hoops on each bilge, and three also on each chime; the barrel staves shall be twenty-eight inches in length, and the heads not less than sixteen and one-half inches between the chimes, and made in a workmanlike manner, to hold pickle. The barrels from twenty-eight to thirty gallons each, and the aliquot parts of a barrel in the same proportion.'

Section 8,  
amended.

Section 3. Section eight of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the word "brand" in the seventh line thereof, the words 'or stencil,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

How  
pickled ale-  
wives and  
other small  
fish shall  
be packed.

'Section 8. Every inspector who inspects pickled alewives or herring, or other small fish, packed whole or round, shall see that they are struck with salt or pickle, and then put in good casks of the size and material aforesaid, packed closely therein, and well salted, and the casks filled with fish and salt, putting no more salt with the fish than is necessary for their preserva-

tion; and the inspector shall brand or stencil all such casks with the name of the inspected fish as aforesaid.'

Section 4. Section ten of said chapter is hereby repealed.

Section 10,  
repealed.

Section 5. Section eleven of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the word "damaged" in the seventh line thereof the words 'unless sold as such,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 11,  
amended.

'Section 11. Whoever sells in the state, or exports therefrom any fish in barrels or boxes, not inspected, packed and branded, as aforesaid, except good and wholesome fish packed in kegs of less than ten gallons, or pickled, dry or smoked fish imported into the state from some other state or country lawfully inspected and branded there, and whoever sells or exports unlawfully any fish known by him to be tainted or damaged, unless sold as such, forfeits ten dollars for every hundred weight thus sold or exported.'

Penalty for  
selling or  
exporting  
fish not  
inspected  
and  
branded.

Section 6. Section twelve of said chapter is hereby repealed.

Section 12,  
repealed.

Section 7. Section thirteen of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out all of said section before the word "and" in the sixth line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the words 'Whoever ships or receives on board any vessel or other carriage for transportation from the state, any pickled fish in barrels, parts of barrels, or casks, not inspected and branded or stenciled as aforesaid, forfeits not less than fifty dollars for each offense,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 13,  
amended.

'Section 13. Whoever ships or receives on board any vessel or other carriage for transportation from the state, any pickled fish in barrels, parts of barrels, or casks, not inspected and branded or stenciled as aforesaid, forfeits not less than fifty dollars for each offense, and any trial justice may issue his warrant to the proper officer, directing him to seize and secure such prohibited fish, and convey it to any inspector within a convenient distance for inspection; and whoever refuses to give necessary aid in the service of such warrant when required by the officer, forfeits five dollars to the prosecutor in an action of debt; and such inspector shall open, inspect, pack and brand such fish according to law, and detain the same until all lawful charges of seizure and inspection are paid.'

Forfeiture  
for shipping  
or receiving  
on board,  
any pickled  
fish not in-  
spected and  
branded as  
aforesaid.

—penalty  
for refusing  
to aid  
officer.

Section 8. Section fourteen of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out of the first line thereof the word "box," and inserting in place thereof the word 'barrel;' also by striking out of the second line thereof the words "cured, or smoked;" also by striking out of the third line thereof the words "or any smoked herring lawfully branded;" also by striking out of

Section 14,  
amended.

**CHAP. 71** the fifth line thereof the word "box" and inserting in place thereof the word 'barrel;' also by striking out of the ninth line thereof the words "twenty dollars" and inserting in place thereof the words 'one dollar;' also by striking out of the same said ninth line thereof the word "box" and inserting in place thereof the word 'barrel;' also by adding at the end of said section the words 'but any inspector may, after a satisfactory examination, brand such packages, thereby becoming responsible for the quality of the contents as represented by his brand;' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Penalty for substituting fish not inspected.

'Section 14. If any person takes from a cask or barrel, any pickled fish lawfully inspected and branded, and substitutes therefor or fraudently intermixes other fish; or if any inspector marks any cask or barrel out of his own town, or which he has not inspected, packed, and himself prepared according to law; permits other persons unlawfully to use his brands, or willfully and fraudently uses the same himself after the expiration of his commission, he forfeits one dollar for each cask or barrel so dealt with; but an inspector may, after a satisfactory examination, brand such packages, thereby becoming responsible for the quantity of the contents as represented by his brand.'

Approved March 15, 1899.

## Chapter 71.

An Act to amend Section fourteen of Chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes relating to Registers of Probate.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 14, chapter 63, R. S., amended.

Section fourteen of chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "thereon" in the ninth line the following words: 'And every register, having executed such bond shall file it in the office of the clerk of the county commissioners of his county, to be presented to them at their next meeting for approval, and after the bond has been so approved the clerk shall record it and certify the fact thereon, and retaining a copy thereof, deliver the original to the register, who shall deliver it to the treasurer of the county, within ten days after its approval, to be filed in his office,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Registers, how elected, oath, bond, powers and duties.

'Section 14. Registers of probate are elected or appointed as provided in the constitution. Their election is effected and determined as is provided respecting county commissioners by