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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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Chapter 177.

An Act to provide for the assessment and expenditure of the income arising from the Permanent School Fund in certain towns.

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

Section 1. All towns incorporated since seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, not formerly parts of other towns, which fail to account for the permanent school fund arising from sale or lease of school lands in said towns, shall annually raise and expend for the maintenance of common schools not less than forty-five dollars in addition to the amount required by law to be raised and expended for the support of said schools.

Towns falling to account for permanent school funds, shall raise and expend at least \$45 in addition to amount required by law.

Section 2. This act shall take effect January first, nineteen hundred and four.

Approved March 27, 1903.

Chapter 178.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and seventy-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, as amended by Chapter two hundred and forty of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and one, relating to the packing of Sardines.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and seventy-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty of the public laws of nineteen hundred and one, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1 of chapter 279, public laws of 1897 as amended by chapter 240, public laws of 1901, further amended.

Section 1. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries shall require a strict observation of the following rules. Whoever catches, takes, preserves, sells or offers for sale prior to the tenth day of May, nineteen hundred and three, any herring for canning purposes less than eight inches long, measured from one extreme to the other, or packs or cans sardines of any description, prior to the tenth day of May, nineteen hundred and three, forfeits twenty dollars for every hundred cans so packed or canned, and for every hundred herring so taken; and whoever, beginning with December first, nineteen hundred and three, catches, takes, preserves, sells or offers for sale between the first day of December and the fifteenth day of the following April, any herring for canning purposes less than eight inches long, measured from one extreme to the other, or packs or cans sar-

Packing of sardines and herring, rules to be observed in relation to.

--prior to May 10, 1903.

--penalty.

--between Dec. 1 and April 15, following.

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--penalty.

--prepara-
tion for
packing.

--amount and
quantity
of oil to be
used in
quarter oils.

--amount of
mustard in
three-quarter
mustards.

--vinegar for
one-quarter
spiced and
three-quarter
spiced.

--sealed
measures
shall be used.

Section 3 of
chapter 279,
amended.

Sardines,
how packed.

--baking
in ovens
regulated.

dines of any description, between the first day of December and the fifteenth day of the following April, forfeits twenty dollars for every hundred cans so packed or canned, and for every hundred herring so taken; and whoever, after the approval of this act, either bakes, fries, steams, or cooks in any manner, packs or cans any herring or other fish for sardines without first heading and eviscerating the same, and whoever sells, offers for sale or has in his possession for sale any sardines packed without being so headed and eviscerated shall forfeit twenty dollars for every hundred cans so packed, sold, offered for sale or in possession for sale, to be recovered by indictment or action of debt, one-half to the complainant prosecutor, and one-half to the town in which the offense is committed. In packing herring, mackerel or other fish in hermetically sealed cans, either in oil, mustard or vinegar, there shall be used not less than three quarts of oil, of the first quality, pure summer or winter cotton oil, or any food oil of equal quality, for every hundred cans so packed of the size known as quarter oils; three quarts of mustard sauce of good quality for every fifty cans of the size known as three-quarter mustards; and for every one hundred cans of the size known as one-quarter mustards; one gallon of vinegar for every one hundred cans of the size known as one-quarter spiced; and for every fifty cans of the size known as three-quarter spiced or tomato. Proprietors of fish packing factories shall provide sealed measures holding one one-hundredth part of three quarts each, which shall be used in measuring all oil into quarter oil sardine cans, and measures holding one-fiftieth part of a gallon which shall be used in measuring all mustard sauce and vinegar into three-quarter size cans used in packing sardines, and all fish packed as aforesaid shall be when so packed good and sound, except that they shall be cleaned, headed and eviscerated. Whoever packs or cans, or causes to be packed or canned any fish in violation of this section shall forfeit twenty dollars for every one hundred cans or fifty cans as aforesaid, as the case may be, so packed by him or by his employes, to be recovered by complaint.'

Section 2. Section three of said chapter two hundred and seventy-nine is hereby amended by striking out the word "six" in the second line of said section and substituting in place thereof the 'five,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 3. No can of sardines shall be packed with less than five fish and no fish shall be packed as sardines unless they have been headed and eviscerated within twenty-four hours from the time they arrive at the factory. No fish shall be baked for sardines in ovens unless they shall first be properly flaked in rows and laid on without overlapping. Whoever flakes, bakes

or packs any sardines in violation of this section forfeits five dollars for every hundred fish so flaked, baked or packed, to be recovered by indictment or action for debt, one-half to the complainant or prosecutor, and one-half to the town in which the offense is committed.'

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1903.

CHAP. 179

—penalty.

Chapter 179.

An Act to repeal so much of Chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section five of Chapter forty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and as amended by Chapter three hundred and seventy-nine of the Private and Special Laws of nineteen hundred and one, as closes Oaks pond, in Cornville, to ice fishing.

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

Section 1. So much of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by section five of chapter forty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and as amended by chapter three hundred and seventy-nine of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and one, as closes Oaks pond, in Cornville, to ice fishing, is hereby repealed.

Ice fishing in Oaks pond, prohibition repealed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1903.

Chapter 180.

An Act to amend Section four, Section eleven, Section nineteen of Chapter eighteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-one as amended by Chapter one hundred fifty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, relating to returns of Vital Statistics.

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

Section 1. Section four of chapter one hundred eighteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred ninety-one as amended by chapter one hundred fifty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Section 4. Whenever any person shall die, or any still-born child be brought forth in this state, the undertaker, town clerk, or other person superintending the burial of said deceased person, shall obtain from the physician attending such bringing forth or

Section 4 of chapter 118, public laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 154, public laws of 1895, amended. Town clerk shall be notified by attending physician, of death in town.