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in the county where the action is pending, and upon return of such warrant so served, the corporation shall be deemed in court and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, and any fine imposed may be collected by execution against the property of such corporation; but this section shall not be deemed to exempt any agent or employee from prosecution.

Sec. 62. Duty of magistrates. Every magistrate or the clerk of the court before whom any prosecution under this chapter is commenced, or shall go on appeal, within twenty days after the trial or dismissal thereof, shall report in writing the result thereof and the amount of fines collected, if any, and disposition thereof, to the commissioner at Augusta.

Sec. 63. Destruction of property prohibited. No person shall tear down or destroy any fence or wall, or leave open any gate or bars, or trample or destroy any crop on the land of another person, while taking, trapping, hunting or pursuing any wild animal, wild bird or fish. And in addition to the penalties of this act, the commissioner shall have authority to revoke and forfeit the hunting or fishing license of the person so doing.

Sec. 64. Penalty for violation. Whoever violates any of the foregoing provisions and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder may be fined not exceeding three hundred dollars and costs, or imprisoned for not exceeding ninety days, or both, except as hereafter noted:

(a) Whoever violates any provision of this act relating to beaver shall be fined not less than fifty dollars and costs for each beaver or skin involved or imprisoned not exceeding ninety days, or both.

(b) Whoever violates the provisions of section forty-five shall be fined not less than two hundred or more than three hundred dollars and costs or imprisoned not exceeding ninety days, or both.

Sec. 65. Commissioner shall keep supply of laws. The commissioner shall be authorized to keep on hand at all times sufficient copies of fish and game laws so that all town clerks or agents authorized to issue licenses shall have copies available to issue with every license.

Sec. 66. Inconsistent acts repealed. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the foregoing are hereby repealed.

Approved April 13, 1929.

Chapter 332.

An Act to Authorize the Promulgation of Rules and Regulations of the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, most of the present code of rules and regulations of the department of inland fisheries and game of nineteen

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hundred and seventeen, and renewed by authority of the legislature of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, will expire on July seventh, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, the majority of which rules and regulations were promulgated by special order of the legislature of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, for a period of four years,

And whereas, the important fishing interests of this state require that there shall be no lapse of these rules and regulations, which apply to important inland waters of the state which are being constantly stocked from the various fish hatcheries,

And whereas, by reason of the foregoing facts immediate action on the part of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and in the opinion of this legislature constitutes an emergency as contemplated in the constitution, now therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Commissioner to promulgate and continue in effect rules relating to protection of fish and game. The commissioner of inland fisheries and game is authorized to continue in force rules relating to protection of fish and game. The commissioner of inland fisheries and game, within sixty days from the adjournment of this legislature, shall promulgate and continue in effect, not exceeding four years, such of the rules and regulations of the department of inland fisheries and game now in force as he deems necessary for the protection and preservation of the fish of this state, said rules and regulations to take effect July seventh, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, and to continue in force for a period of four years thereafter, unless sooner revoked or modified by said commissioner. Such rules and regulations shall be published in a newspaper printed in the county in which the waters affected are located, and shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state.

Sec. 2. Penalty for violations. Whoever violates any provision of any rules and regulations of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game promulgated by virtue of this act shall be subject to the same penalties as are provided in section three of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Sec. 3. Act takes effect when approved. In view of the emergency set forth in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

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