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PREFACE

To remedy the difficulty in learning the exact changes made by public laws as they have been heretofore printed, a new system has been evolved. In cases where a former section of the statutes has been amended by striking out certain words and inserting new words, the section is shown as it appeared before amended with the deleted words indicated by a line drawn through them and the new words indicated by bold faced type. Accordingly, to determine the change made by the legislature, it will only be necessary to note what words are deleted and what words appear in bold faced type. This method plainly shows the legislative intent and eliminates any question as to what the bill was intended to do. In some cases where the changes were so numerous and the order of arrangement so changed that this method would have been confusing, the old section was wholly repealed and the new section set forth. In these cases the law appears in the usual type.

It should be noted that chapter 235 has changed the special laws relating to fishing in special localities to the status of rules and regulations having the force of law. The majority of bills affecting special fishing rights therefore appear in the form of resolves directing the commissioner of inland fisheries and game to issue certain rules and regulations. Several of these matters appear herein as public laws as they were enacted in that form before the new change was adopted by the legislature. The legislative intent is obviously that these should be considered as rules and regulations.

In this volume will appear for the first time a cumulative index to the public laws so that it will be possible to tell from the use of one book what matters have been affected since the last revision. The cross reference tables showing what sections of the statutes have been affected by public laws will also be cumulative and show all changes made to date, except for the changes made by the Code. These are so numerous that it will take from four to six years to complete the revisions made necessary. The health and welfare and sea and shore fisheries revisions, chapters 1 and 2 herein, are the first steps. Although passed as new matter at this session they do not create any new law, but are restatements of the old law as the Code changed it, rearranged in an attempt to present a more logical set-up.

All other laws, passed at this session, affecting the subject matter in these revisions, by legislative mandate, supersede or amend the law as stated in the revision. Cross reference notes at the end of such laws indicate what sections of the revision they affect.

The laws passed at the special session of 1932 appear herein. They are indexed in the cumulative index.

A table of contents in the forepart of this volume shows the location of the various tables and laws.

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