

**CHAPTER 62.**

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIVE (135) OF THE GENERAL LAWS FOR THE YEAR A. D. ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE (1875), BEING AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE CULTIVATING, RAISING AND PROPAGATING OF TROUT AND OTHER FISH.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :*

SECTION 1. That section one (1) of chapter one hundred and thirty-five (135) of the General Laws of this State for the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five (1875), be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows :

Section 1. Any person or corporation desirous of engaging, or who is engaged in the business of cultivating, raising, propagating or preserving trout or any other fish upon his or their premises, or upon premises hired or let for such purposes, shall have the right, and are hereby authorized to erect, construct and maintain upon such premises dams, sluices, screens, wires, pens, and other fixtures, buildings, and obstructions, such as may by him or them be deemed necessary for such purposes. *Provided*, such dams, sluices or other contrivances shall in no way obstruct the navigation of any navigable waters, or interfere with or injure the use of any mill or other water privilege as the same is or may be enjoyed ; nor shall the provisions of this act authorize the overflowing of any lands not owned or leased by the persons engaged in such business connected with fish, nor the interfering with the rights or privileges previously acquired by any other person or corporation. *And provided further*, that owners of ponds or other bodies of water, who have or shall stock the same with trout or any other fish, or which ponds or bodies of water are or shall by any means become so stocked, shall, upon complying with the provisions of this act, be entitled to all the rights, privileges and protection herein provided.

Relating to  
dams, sluices,  
&c., for trout  
or other fish.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to  
take effect.

Approved February 20, 1877.