

preceding section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of not less than three (3) nor over ten (10) dollars for each fish so caught and not immediately restored to said waters, together with the costs of prosecution.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the supervisors and constables of the towns within which lakes are situated, or of any other person having knowledge of the violation of the provisions of this chapter, to make complaint thereof to any justice of the peace of said Rice county, who shall thereupon issue his warrant for the arrest of the offender, and proceed to hear and determine the matter in issue, and every person convicted under the provisions of this chapter shall stand committed until such fine is paid. *Provided*, That such imprisonment shall not exceed one (1) month.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3, 1877.

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## CHAPTER 148.

### AN ACT TO PREVENT THE DESTRUCTION OF FISH IN WATERS OF SHERBURNE COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to take, kill, or catch, in any manner whatever, except with hook and line, and by nets with meshes of not less than one and three-fourth ( $1\frac{3}{4}$ ) inches in diameter, any fish of any kind, from the lakes or waters of the towns of Clear Lake and Palmer, in the county of Sherburne, Minnesota, during the months of December, January, February and March in each year, and every year from and after the passage of this act.

SEC. 2. Any person violating any of the provisions of section one (1) of this act, shall, upon conviction thereof, pay for each and every fish so taken, killed or destroyed, a fine of not more than five dollars (\$5), nor less than one dollar (\$1), together with costs of prosecution, and stand committed in the county jail until such fine be paid.

SEC. 3. All fines imposed and collected under the provisions of this act, shall be paid, one-half to the person making the complaint, and one-half to the school fund of the school district in which the offense was committed.

SEC. 4. All prosecutions under this act shall be commenced within sixty (60) days from the date the offense was committed, by complaint before any justice of the peace in said county of Sherburne, or where the defendant may reside or be found.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1877.

#### CHAPTER 149.

#### AN ACT TO PROTECT FISH IN SHAOKATAU LAKE, IN LINCOLN COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. That all persons are hereby forbid to take any fish out of the waters of Shaokatau Lake, in Lincoln county, during the spawning period, comprehended in the three spring months, with seine or net, or otherwise, or by spear or by net at any season of the year.

SEC. 2. That any and all persons, upon being convicted of a violation of the provisions of this act, shall pay a fine of not more than twenty dollars (\$20) nor less than five dollars (\$5), which fine shall be paid into the school fund in the county of Lincoln.

SEC. 3. Suits may be commenced and prosecuted by any person having knowledge of the violation of this act.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1877.