

for such fishing until closed by a further order of the director of game and fish. Upon the closing of any group as above provided for, the director may open another group for such fishing.

(d) No licenses shall be granted to any non-resident of the state of Minnesota nor to any person except that he be able to satisfy the director of game and fish that he has sufficient knowledge of the lakes proposed to be fished to enable him to operate in said lakes without causing harm to game fish.

(e) Nets tagged pursuant to this section shall not be set or raised hereunder except after sunrise and before sunset of each day.

(f) The director of game and fish shall establish a checking and weighing station where required and where all bullheads taken under this section shall be brought and weighed. One cent per pound dressed weight on all bullheads taken hereunder shall be paid to the director of game and fish to be by him paid into the state treasury, to be credited in turn to the Fish Lakes Improvement Revolving Fund.

(g) The director of game and fish is hereby authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary or desirable in carrying out the purposes of this act and is authorized to impose such further restrictions and regulations as may be necessary to prevent the undue depletion of the species hereby affected.

Sec. 3. Violation a gross misdemeanor.—Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act or any rules or regulations promulgated under the authority hereof, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor; and, upon conviction thereof, his license shall become null and void and no similar license shall be issued to him for a period of one year following the date of said conviction.”

Approved April 21, 1939.

CHAPTER 381—S. F. No. 695

An act relating to wild animals, determining the open season for rabbits and hare.

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

Section 1. Open season for rabbits and hare.—The open season for the taking of varying hare or snow shoe rabbit and cotton tail rabbit shall fall between September 16th and March 1st, both inclusive, subject however to such further restrictions as to time as shall be provided by order of the Director of Game and Fish with the approval of the Commissioner of Conservation. Provided, however, that the said varying hare or snow shoe rabbit and cotton tail rabbit may be taken or killed in any manner, at any time, by the actual occupant of any lands upon which the above named animals are causing any damage or injury whether said lands are located within a game refuge or otherwise.

Sec. 2. Violation a misdemeanor.—Any violation of this act or any order of the Director of Game and Fish promulgated hereunder, shall be a misdemeanor.

Approved April 21, 1939.

CHAPTER 382—S. F. No. 697

An act authorizing the exchange of state-owned lands for lands of the United States or privately-owned lands; establishing a method of procedure for such exchange and appropriating money therefor and repealing certain laws inconsistent herewith.

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

Section 1. Land exchange commission created.—There is hereby created a Land Exchange Commission, in this act called the Commission, which shall consist of the Governor, the Attorney General and the State Auditor.

Sec. 2. May exchange land to consolidate holdings.—For the purpose of consolidating the holdings of land owned by the state the Commission may, by unanimous approval, exchange any lands to which the state now holds title or to which title shall be acquired by the state, including lands held in trust for any purpose, for lands of equal value and kind owned by the United States or lands owned by private citizens or corporations. Provided, however, that the lands so acquired shall be subject to the trust, if any, to which the lands exchanged therefor were subject. The Commission is hereby authorized to convey in behalf of the state, title by deed attested by the commissioner of conservation, to any such lands so exchanged, provided, however, that in the deed of conveyance there shall