

Bill No. 29 of 1933.

A BILL TO AMEND THE GAME ACT, 1932.

NOTE.

Section 2 of the Bill repeals the section which prohibits all shooting at wild animals and birds on Sunday, whilst section 3 of the Bill prohibits shooting of big game and game birds on Sunday.

Section 4 of the Bill amends the Act so as to permit a *bona fide* farmer to shoot game birds anywhere in the Province without a license.

Section 5 of the Bill clarifies the provisions of section 13 of the Act dealing with the removal of the evidences of sex of big game animals.

Section 6 of the Bill modifies the provisions of section 19 of the Act which prohibit hunting upon enclosed premises without the consent of the owner, and provides that no person shall hunt upon enclosed land upon being notified not to do so, and provides that he may be so notified by means of notices fixed upon the fence.

Section 7 of the Bill adds to the Act an express prohibition against the use of sunken punts, night lights, swivels, springs or automatic shotguns, shotguns of a gauge larger than gauge ten, or silencers for the purpose of hunting big game, fur-bearing animals or game birds.

Section 8 of the Bill prohibits any person acting as an outfitter unless licensed.

Section 9 of the Bill provides that every non-resident whilst engaged in hunting in a forest reserve shall be accompanied by a licensed guide.

Section 10 of the Bill provides for the licensing of outfitters and the licensing of tanners and furriers who handle or process the skins or pelts of fur-producing animals, and further provides that every regulation made pursuant to section 37 of the Act shall be published in *The Alberta Gazette*, and upon publication shall have the force of law.

Section 11 of the Bill prohibits any tanner or furrier from acquiring any skin or pelt from any fur-producing animal for manufacture or processing unless he is licensed.

Section 12 of the Bill provides for licenses for tanners and furriers.

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(This note does not form any part of the Bill and is offered merely as a partial explanation of some of its provisions.)

BILL

No. 29 of 1933.

An Act to amend The Game Act, 1932.

(Assented to _____, 1933.)

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Game Act, 1932, Amendment Act, 1933.*"

2. *The Game Act, 1932*, being chapter 27 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1932, is hereby amended as to section 5 thereof by repealing the same.

3. The said Act is further amended as to section 6 thereof by adding at the end thereof the words "or on the first day of the week commonly known as Sunday."

4. The said Act is further amended as to section 8 thereof by striking out the words "upon or over such land without any license" where the same occur therein, and by substituting therefor the words "without any license at such places and."

5. The said Act is further amended as to section 13 thereof by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:

"**13.** No person shall deal with the carcass or any part of the carcass of any big game animal in such a way as to destroy the distinctive evidence of the sex of the animal until such time as the carcass or all the parts thereof have been conveyed to the place of residence of the captor, if a resident of the Province, or in the case of a non-resident, until the carcass or all the parts thereof have been inspected by a game guardian, and no person shall have in his possession at any time before the transportation thereof has been completed the carcass or any part or parts of the carcass of any big game animal which has been dealt with in contravention of the provisions of this section."

6. The said Act is further amended as to section 19 thereof by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:

"**19.**—(1) No person shall at any time hunt, trap, take, shoot at, wound or kill any big game, fur-bearing animal, fur-producing animal or game bird or any other animal or

bird which is wild by nature which is upon or over any enclosed land without the consent of the owner thereof, nor shall he, without such consent, allow any dog he is using for hunting purposes to enter upon any enclosed land after having had notice not to hunt or shoot thereon.

“(2) A person shall be deemed to have had notice not to hunt upon any enclosed land—

“(a) upon being notified by the owner to that effect in writing; or

“(b) if the owner of any enclosed land affixes upon the fence or upon the shore of any lake or stream bordering the land, not more than twenty rods apart, notices bearing the words ‘No Shooting’ in legible letters not less than three inches in height.

“(3) No person shall—

“(a) without authority put up or cause to be put up any such notice on any land of which he is not the owner; or

“(b) tear down, remove, injure, deface or interfere with any such notice which has been lawfully affixed or set up.

“(4) For the purposes of this section, the expression ‘owner’ means and includes every person being the owner of an interest in any land entitling him to the possession thereof, but shall not include the holder of a timber license or a timber permit.”

7. The said Act is further amended as to section 20 thereof by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:

“**20.** No person shall, for the purpose of taking, killing or destroying any big game, fur-bearing animal or game bird, set out, use or employ any poison, opium or narcotic, or use or employ any sunken punt, any night light, any swivel, spring or automatic shotgun of any description, any shotgun of a gauge larger than gauge ten, or any contrivance for the purpose of deadening the sound of the report of any firearm.”

8. The said Act is further amended by inserting therein, immediately after section 24 thereof, the following new section:

“**24a.** No person shall, unless he is the holder of a valid and subsisting license as an outfitter issued pursuant to this Act, for gain or reward, rent, hire or lend any saddle horses, pack horses, vehicles, boats, or other equipment to any person for the purpose of being used in hunting, trapping, taking or killing any animals in respect of which a license to hunt, trap, take or kill is required by this Act or any regulation made thereunder.”

9. The said Act is further amended as to section 25 thereof by striking out the same and by substituting therefor the following:

“**25.** Every non-resident shall, whilst engaged in the hunting or pursuit of big game in any forest reserve, be

accompanied by a guide who is licensed pursuant to this Act, and whilst so engaged elsewhere shall be accompanied either by a guide licensed pursuant to this Act or by a resident of the Province."

10. The said Act is further amended as to section 37 thereof—

- (a) by inserting therein, immediately after clause (g) thereof, the following new clause:
“(ga) for the licensing of outfitters”;
- (b) by striking out clause (i) thereof and by substituting therefor the following:
“(i) for the licensing of persons engaged in the business of trading in, or buying, or selling or trafficking in the skins or pelts of any fur-producing animals as well as tanners and furriers who handle, deal with, process or prepare for market any skins or pelts as aforesaid”;
- (c) by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:
“(2) Every regulation made pursuant to this section shall be published in *The Alberta Gazette* and upon publication shall have the same force and effect as if the same had been expressly enacted by this Act.”

11. The said Act is further amended as to section 59 thereof by inserting therein, immediately after the word “auction” where the same occurs therein, the words “or being a furrier shall acquire any skin or pelt of any fur-producing animal for the purpose of manufacture, or being a tanner shall receive any skin or pelt of any fur-producing animal for processing in any manner whatsoever.”

12. The said Act is further amended as to section 60 thereof by adding at the end thereof the following:
“Class IV.—Issuable to tanners and furriers who handle, deal with, process or prepare for market the skins or pelts of any fur-bearing or fur-producing animals.”

13. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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