

deny to any such person the right to hunt or trap anywhere in this Commonwealth.

After investigation or upon information otherwise obtained by the Department of Agriculture as to any county being infested with rabies, the commission shall, upon notice given by said department, remove all protection on raccoons in such infested counties, or declare an open season on such animals, or direct the killing and disposition of same, in such manner as the case may require.

APPROVED—The 14th day of January, A. D. 1952.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 565

AN ACT

To amend section 1 of the act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws 159), entitled "An act relating to compulsory arbitrations," by changing the terminology of the pleadings and making the provisions of the act inapplicable in certain cases.

Arbitrations.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1, act of
May 14, 1874,
P. L. 159,
amended.

Section 1. Section 1 of the act, approved the fourteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred seventy-four (Pamphlet Laws 159), entitled "An act relating to compulsory arbitrations," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Terminology of
pleadings in civil
suits or actions
changed.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the passage of this act it shall not be lawful, in any civil suit or action in any court in this commonwealth, wherein [an affidavit of claim] *a complaint* is or may be required, and in which the plaintiff [, by himself or his agent or attorney,] shall have filed [an affidavit of claim setting forth the nature and amount thereof, and shall have also filed a declaration or statement] *a complaint* for the defendant to enter a rule of reference declaring his intention to have arbitrators chosen, unless he shall have previously filed [an affidavit of defence specifically setting forth the nature and character of the same] *an answer in cases where an answer is required*, and a rule of reference shall in no case prevent the plaintiff from moving for or the court from entering judgment [for want of a sufficient affidavit of defence] *on the pleadings in a proper case. This section shall not apply to cases referred to the board of arbitrators by agreement under*

Provisions of act
inapplicable to
certain cases.

section 8.1 of the act, approved the sixteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred thirty-six (Pamphlet Laws 715), as amended.

APPROVED—The 14th day of January, A. D. 1952.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 566

AN ACT

To further amend section 501 of the act, approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1225), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," by changing fees for hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer and compensation for issuing same, and providing for issuance by county treasurers only.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 501 of the act, approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1225), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," as last amended by the act, approved the nineteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Act No. 249), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 501. Open Seasons.—After investigation, or information otherwise obtained by the commission, as to the annual game supply, the commission may, by appropriate rules and regulations, a summary of which shall be published as hereinafter specified, fix seasons, shooting hours, and daily, season and possession limits, or remove protection and declare an open season, or increase, reduce or close seasons, or increase or reduce bag limits, for all species of game birds and game animals throughout the Commonwealth, or in any part thereof, or limit the number of hunters in any designated area and prescribe the methods of hunting therein, when in its opinion, such action is necessary to assure the maintenance of an adequate supply of such species, or when an unbalanced sex ratio exists which in its opinion should be corrected, or when, in the opinion of the commission, such additional open season will not jeopardize the future supply of game.

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"The Game Law."

Subsection (c) of section 501, act of June 3, 1937, P. L. 1225, as last amended by act of July 19, 1951 (Act No. 249), further amended.