

No. 1978-29

AN ACT

HB 1336

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," authorizing the commission to purchase wildlife stamps, shoulder patches, decals and such other similar items, solicit funds to promote the cause of wildlife management, and making editorial changes.

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

Section 1. Subsection (w) of section 1401, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), known as "The Game Law," subsection (w) amended June 13, 1957 (P.L.298, No.154), is amended and a subsection is added to read:

Section 1401. Continuance of Game Fund; Appropriation.—All license fees, fines, permit fees, and other moneys received and collected (a) under the provisions of any law repealed and replaced by this act, and now held in the State Treasury as the Game Fund, or (b) that may be hereafter paid into the State Treasury under the provisions of any act so repealed or replaced, or (c) that may be paid into the State Treasury under the provisions of this act, shall be placed in the separate fund known as "The Game Fund," and shall be held separately and apart solely for the following purposes:

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(w) The commission shall have the right to acquire title to or control of lands and buildings by purchase, lease, gift, or otherwise, direct from the owners or persons having legal control thereof, as in this act hereinbefore provided, without submission to or approval by the Department of **[Property and Supplies] General Services**. The commission shall also have the right to *solicit and* accept donations from any person, firm, corporation or association, which shall be placed in "The Game Fund," *audited by the Auditor General* and used for the purposes set forth in this section. The commission may also purchase direct, without prior confirmation of the Department of **[Property and Supplies] General Services**, all game and game food for its game farms and elsewhere as needed in any amount. The commission also may, without prior confirmation of the Department of **[Property and Supplies] General Services**, make direct field purchases of materials, supplies, and equipment for the maintenance and development of its system of refuges, hunting grounds, game farms, game propagation areas, and buildings and repairs thereon, and for other field activities, at the most advantageous prices available, in amounts not to exceed one hundred dollars in a single purchase. In the purchase of all other supplies,

equipment, printing and other purchases necessary for the conduct of the work of the commission, such purchases shall be made through the Department of [Property and Supplies] *General Services* as purchasing agent;

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(z.2) For the purchase of wildlife stamps, shoulder patches, decals and such other similar items as the commission shall determine to be used for the purpose of promoting wildlife management. Such materials may be sold by the commission at a fee determined by them or given away free of charge in recognition of promoting the cause of wildlife management.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 18th day of April, A. D. 1978.

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