

CHAPTER 18.

[ S. B. 11. ]

FOREST PROTECTION—CLOSURE OF OPERATIONS.

AN ACT for the protection of forests and prevention and suppression of fires; amending section 76.04.190, R.C.W.; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 76.04.190, R.C.W., as derived from section 3, chapter 152, Laws of 1937, is amended to read as follows: Amendment.

When in the opinion of the supervisor, weather conditions arise which present an extreme fire hazard, whereby life and property may be endangered by spreading forest fires, he may issue an order closing all logging, land clearing, or other industrial operations which may cause a forest fire to start, and such closure shall be for the periods and regions, designated in the order. During all such closures, all persons are excluded from logging operating areas and areas of logging slashings, except those persons present in the interest of fire protection for the period of the closure ordered by the state supervisor of forestry, or his authorized deputies. Closure.  
  
Persons excluded from areas.

Any one violating any such order shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars for each violation, or by imprisonment for not less than thirty days in the county jail. Each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense. Penalty.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and shall take effect immediately. Emergency.

[Am. Rem. Supp., § 5789-1.]

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Approved by the Governor September 6, 1951.