

CHAPTER 237.

[S. B. 296.]

DAMAGE BY DEER AND ELK.

AN ACT relating to deer and elk damage; providing for means to prevent damage; making an appropriation; prescribing certain powers to the Director of Game and State Game Commission; and declaring that this act shall take effect April 1, 1943.

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

SECTION 1. It is declared to be the finding of the legislature that the successful policies of the state with respect to game management have resulted in seasonal deer and elk concentrations within certain cultivated agricultural and horticultural areas of the state giving rise to numerous damage inflictions upon cultivated agricultural and horticultural crops, for which no adequate mode of prevention or relief has been provided; that the public interest will not be subserved by retrenching in the matter of wild life conservation or propagation; that it is to the public interest to minimize such damage as much as possible and to provide as nearly as may be a reasonable program of prevention of such damage; and that this act is passed in furtherance of the public peace and welfare.

Declaration
of purpose.

SEC. 2. In order to reduce to a minimum, damage inflictions by deer and elk upon cultivated agricultural and horticultural crops, and to pay for such damage claims as the Commission may deem just the State Game Commission is hereby authorized and empowered in its discretion to enter into cooperative agreements with agricultural and horticultural farmers or associations of farmers in the matter of deer and elk damage and of their herding and feeding, and for the erection and maintenance of such fencing facilities as will tend to prevent the access of deer and elk to such crops. To carry out

Commission
to enter
cooperative
agreements.

Prevent
damage to
crops.

Appropriation.

the provisions of this section there is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Game out of the State Game Fund the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Marauding animals may be killed.

SEC. 3. The State Game Commission is hereby empowered to cause or permit any marauding deer or elk to be killed whenever it is deemed that the same is or was necessary to prevent damage to cultivated agricultural and horticultural crops.

Effective April 1, 1943.

SEC. 4. This act is necessary for the support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect April 1, 1943.

Passed the Senate March 11, 1943.

Passed the House March 11, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 20, 1943.

CHAPTER 238.

[S. B. 297.]

JURORS.

AN ACT relating to the selection of jurors in the Superior Courts, and amending section 3, chapter 57, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 1, chapter 26, Laws of 1921, as amended by section 1, chapter 191, Laws 1925 Extraordinary Session (section 96, Remington's Revised Statutes).

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

Amendments.

SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 57, Laws of 1911, as amended by section 1, chapter 26, Laws of 1921, as amended by section 1, chapter 191, Laws 1925 Extraordinary Session (section 96, Remington's Revised Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Courts to create jury districts.

Section 3. The Judge or Judges of the Superior Court of each county shall divide the county into not less than three jury districts, following the lines of voting precincts and arranging the districts in