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Effective at once. Penalties enforced in 90 days.

SEC. 13. TIME OF TAKING EFFECT.—This Act shall take effect upon its passage; except that no penalty shall be enforced for any violation thereof occurring within 90 days thereafter.

Title of Act.

SEC. 14. SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Air Commerce Act of 1926."

Approved, May 20, 1926.

May 20, 1926.
[S. 3080.]
[Public, No. 255.]

CHAP. 345.—An Act To authorize payment of expenses of the Washington-Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph System out of receipts of such system as an operating expense.

Washington-Alaska Military Cable, etc. Receipts may be used to pay expenses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter such amount of money as may be authorized by the Secretary of War may be withheld temporarily from the receipts of the Washington-Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph System by the auditor of said system as a working balance from which to make payments of money transfers from and to Alaska and between points within Alaska, to be accounted for accordingly; and the expenses of procuring necessary official bonds, as determined by the Secretary of War, of enlisted men employed in connection with such money transfers, shall be paid out of the receipts of such system as an operating expense.

Surety bonds.

Approved, May 20, 1926.

May 20, 1926.
[S. 3440.]
[Public, No. 256.]

CHAP. 346.—An Act To regulate the interstate transportation of black bass, and for other purposes.

Black bass. Meaning of "person."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That when used in this Act the word "person" includes company, partnership, corporation, association, and common carrier.

Interstate, etc., transportation of, caught, etc., in violation of State, etc., law, unlawful.

SEC. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to deliver to any common carrier for transportation, or for any common carrier or for any person knowingly to transport or carry, by any means whatsoever, from any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, to or through any other State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or to or through any foreign country, any large-mouth black bass (Micropterus salmoides) or any small-mouth black bass (Micropterus dolomieu) which has either been caught, sold, purchased, or possessed in violation of the law of the State, Territory, or the District of Columbia wherein the delivery of such black bass for transportation is made or the transaction or the carrying thereof begins.

Punishment for violations.

SEC. 3. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by fine not exceeding $200, or imprisonment for a term of not more than three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

Further protective State legislation not prevented.

SEC. 4. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent the several States and Territories from making or enforcing laws or regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, or from making or enforcing laws or regulations which shall give further protection to large and small mouth black bass.

Shipping for breeding allowed.

SEC. 5. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent the shipment in interstate commerce of live fish and eggs for breeding or stocking purposes.

In effect immediately

SEC. 6. This Act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

Approved, May 20, 1926.