FUR-BEARING ANIMALS IN CAPTIVITY FOR BREEDING
Act 85 of 1915

AN ACT to provide for the protection from disturbance of fur-bearing animals kept in captivity for breeding purposes and prescribing penalties for violations.

History: 1915, Act 85, Eff. Aug. 24, 1915.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

317.61 Private breeding grounds of fur-bearing animals; approach or entry.

Sec. 1. Any person or persons who, without the consent of the owner or caretaker of a ranch or enclosure where fur-bearing animals are kept in captivity for breeding purposes, shall approach or enter upon the private grounds of the owner or owners of the said animals within which the pens or dens of the said animals are located, and upon the fence or enclosure of which notices forbidding trespassing on the said premises are kept posted, so as to be plainly discernible at distance of not less than 25 yards, shall be guilty of an offense and liable to the penalty hereinafter provided.

History: 1915, Act 85, Eff. Aug. 24, 1915;—CL 1915, 7506;—CL 1929, 6287;—CL 1948, 317.61.

317.62 Breeding grounds; forcible entry.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons who at any time hereafter, in any part of the state of Michigan, without the consent of the owner or caretaker of any enclosure within which fur-bearing animals are kept for breeding purposes, and on the fence of which enclosure are kept posted notices forbidding trespassing on the premises where the said animals are kept, and plainly discernible at a distance of not less than 25 yards therefrom, shall pass within the said fence or such enclosure or climb over, break or cut through the same for the purposes of entering the said enclosure, or for any other purpose whatsoever, shall be guilty of an offense and liable to the penalty hereinafter provided.

History: 1915, Act 85, Eff. Aug. 24, 1915;—CL 1915, 7507;—CL 1929, 6288;—CL 1948, 317.62.

317.63 Dogs; permissible killing.

Sec. 3. Any owner or caretaker may kill any dog found wandering within 40 feet of any enclosure in which fur-bearing animals are kept, and there giving tongue or otherwise terrifying such animals: Provided, That the dog so killed is neither muzzled nor accompanied by the owner or by a person having charge or care of such dog.

History: 1915, Act 85, Eff. Aug. 24, 1915;—CL 1915, 7508;—CL 1929, 6289;—CL 1948, 317.63.

317.64 Violation of act; penalty.

Sec. 4. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than 100 dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

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