BRIDGES AND CULVERTS (EXCERPT) Act 354 of 1925

254.5 Obstructions to navigation; powers of commissioner; removal costs; failure to remove, penalty.

Sec. 5.

The commissioner or commissioners having in charge the construction or maintenance of any bridge shall have the power to provide for the removal of any booms, rafts, logs or other obstruction in the stream and to direct the time in which, and the places where, such booms, rafts, logs or other obstructions in such stream shall be allowed to remain and when the same shall be removed, whenever, in the opinion of such commissioner or commissioners such booms, rafts, logs or other obstructions are a menace to the bridge, or interfere with the construction or maintenance thereof. The person, firm or corporation responsible for any such boom, raft, logs or other obstruction shall be liable for the cost of such removal, to be recovered in an action of trespass on the case, or to be assessed upon any property of such person, firm or corporation when certified by such commissioner or commissioners to the proper township clerk, and any person who shall fail to comply with such directions of the commissioner or commissioners shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than 500 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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