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CHAPTER 340.

AN ACT to amend 29.59 (1) of the statutes, relating to beaver causing damage.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

29.59 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.59 (1) Upon complaint in writing, by the owner or lessee of any lands, to the state conservation commission, that beaver are causing damage thereto, the commission shall employ such means as it may deem wise to inquire into the matter * * *. If, upon inspection, investigation, hearing or otherwise, it shall appear to the satisfaction of the commission that the facts stated in such complaint are true, it may, by written permit, authorize any conservation warden or other employe of the conservation commission to capture and remove such beaver * * *. Any beaver dam or beaver house causing damage shall not be removed until consent is given by the owner or occupant of the land on which it is located. The owner or occupant of the land failing to give such consent after receiving notice and solicitation shall be liable for all damages arising thereafter by reason of the continuing existence of beaver structures.

Approved June 8, 1951.