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CHAPTER 2.

An Act to declare the meaning of Section Eleven of the Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1878, so far as regards Eels. A.D. 1886.

[15th March 1886.]

WHEREAS by section eleven of the Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1878, a penalty is imposed for fishing for, buying, or selling, freshwater fish during the close season in that section mentioned, and the term "freshwater fish" is defined to include all kinds of fish (other than pollan, trout, and char) which live in fresh water, except those kinds which migrate to or from the open sea: 41 & 42 Vict. c. 39.

And whereas doubts have arisen as to whether eels are included in the term freshwater fish in the said section mentioned, and it is expedient to remove such doubts:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. It is hereby declared that the term "freshwater fish" in section eleven of the Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1878, does not include eels: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorise angling for eels during the close season mentioned in such section. Section 11 of 41 & 42 Vict. c. 39 as to close time not to apply to eels.

2. This Act shall be construed as one with the Freshwater Fisheries Acts, 1878 and 1884, and together with those Acts may be cited as the Freshwater Fisheries Acts, 1878 to 1886, and this Act may be cited alone as the Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1886. Short title.

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