THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2464

Session of 1976

INTRODUCED BY FRYER, RENWICK, LETTERMAN, HALVERSON, NOYE, GEORGE, SHELHAMER, SALOOM, PETRARCA AND MYERS, JUNE 3, 1976

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, JUNE 3, 1976

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to fish, frogs, 2 tadpoles and turtles; and amending, revising, consolidating 3 and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters 5 and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the Commonwealth, " permitting temporary obstruction of fishways. 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. The act of December 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673), known as "The Fish Law of 1959," is amended by adding a section 10 11 to read: 12 Section 194.1. Temporary Obstructions to Fishways. -- After giving written notice to the Commission, an organized 13 sportsmen's club that has been in existence for a period of one 14 15 year or more may obstruct the passage of fish for a period not exceeding forty-eight hours. Such obstructions shall not be 16 17 erected more than two times a year within a distance of one mile from any other similar obstruction on the same stream or body of 18 water. The obstructions shall be erected in such a manner that 19

fish will normally not be injured by the obstruction.

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- 1 Section 2. Section 195 of the act is amended to read:
- 2 Section 195. Penalty for Preventing Migration of Fish.--[No]
- 3 Except as provided in section 194.1, no person shall place any
- 4 device or object in the waters within this Commonwealth in such
- 5 a manner as to obstruct the migration or passage of fish therein
- 6 or to obstruct any fishway. Any person violating the provisions
- 7 of this section shall, on conviction as provided in chapter 14,
- 8 be sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
- 9 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.