

NAVIGATION OF PERSONS ON WESTERN RIVERS - PROTECTION OF
Act of Mar. 30, 1860, P.L. 378, No. 370
AN ACT

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For the protection of persons navigating the Allegheny and Monogahela rivers.

Section 1. Lights to be kept burning on bridges over the Allegheny, at all hours of the night

It shall be the duty of all persons, corporations, companies, or any other person or persons whatever, having or owning, or who may hereafter have or own any bridge, or aqueduct, or any other structure spanning the Allegheny river, and resting upon piers or other support in said river, at any point or place thereon between its confluence with the Monongahela river and Warren, Warren County, Pennsylvania, to keep a light or lights burning on each pier, at all hours of the night, when the said river is in navigable stage for boats or rafts, so that said light or lights may be readily seen by persons descending said river, at all hours between dark in the evening and daylight in the morning. 1860, March 30, P.L. 378, Sec. 1.

Section 2. Lights to be kept burning on all bridges over Monongahela

All companies or corporations having or owning, or which may hereafter have or own any bridge or other structure spanning the Monongahela river, between its confluence with the Allegheny river and the Borough of Elizabethtown, in the County of Fayette, are hereby required to keep a light or lights burning from dark till daylight, throughout the night, on each pier of each bridge or structure, so that said light or lights may be readily seen at all hours of the night by persons navigating said river. 1860, March 30, P.L. 378, Sec. 2.

Section 3. Penalty for neglect

Any person or persons, corporations or company whatever, as aforesaid, who shall neglect or refuse to conform to the spirit and intent of this act, as contained in the first section, shall, for every such omission, neglect or refusal, become liable to pay any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and pay all damages that may happen from said refusal or neglect; one-half of said fine shall go to the person that shall sue therefor, and the other half shall be paid into the school fund of this Commonwealth; which suits may be brought in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in any county in which either or both ends of such bridge, aqueduct or structure as aforesaid may be: Provided, That no suit shall be brought under the provisions of this act, after ninety days after the cause of action may accrue; and provided further, That nothing contained herein shall be so construed as to affect the liabilities of any such companies, corporations, person or persons as aforesaid, to the owner or owners of said craft, boat or raft, for injuries sustained by them, by reason of such bridge, aqueduct, or structure as aforesaid under existing law. 1860, March 30, P.L. 378, Sec. 3.