

HOUSE No. 47

Accompanying the eighth recommendation of the Commissioner of Conservation (House, No. 39). Conservation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ACQUISITION OF PUBLIC SHOOTING GROUNDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 92 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as
2 amended by chapter 599 of the acts of 1941, is hereby
3 further amended by adding after the word "gift" in
4 the second line the words: — or by purchase, — so
5 as to read as follows: — *Section 92.* For the purpose
6 of providing public shooting grounds, the director
7 may acquire by gift or by purchase, and shall in his
8 discretion acquire by leases not to exceed five years,
9 lands and waters, except a brook or stream which is a
10 source of or a tributary to a public water supply,
11 within the commonwealth, or either of such lands or
12 waters, or shooting rights thereon or therein, together
13 with such rights of ingress to and egress from such
14 lands or waters as may be necessary and proper. Said
15 director may, subject to the provisions of section
16 thirty-seven of chapter thirty, make rules and regula-

17 tions relative to hunting on any lands or waters ac-
18 quired under authority of this section, may provide a
19 penalty, to consist of a fine of not to exceed twenty
20 dollars, for any violation of any such rule or regulation,
21 and may from time to time close or open such lands or
22 waters or any part thereof, for hunting.