

# SAORSTÁT EIREANN.

BILLE CAOMHANTA EANACHA FIADHAINE (LEASU),  
1927.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1927.

5 *Mar do leasúidh i gCoiste.*  
*As amended in Committee.*

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### Section.

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## BILL

*entitled*

15 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE FURTHER PROTECTION  
OF WILD BIRDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS OF SAORSTÁT  
EIREANN AS FOLLOWS:—

20 1.—(1) If any person uses as a decoy any live bird which is  
tethered or is secured by means of braces or other similar appli-  
cances or which is blind, maimed or injured, or uses bird lime or  
any substance of a like nature for the purpose of taking or cap-  
turing alive or attempting to take or capture alive any wild bird,  
25 he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

Prohibition  
of the use of  
live decoy  
birds, bird  
lime, etc.

(2) Where any person is convicted of any offence under this  
section, the Court may, in addition to any penalty that may be  
imposed, order any live decoy bird used by such person for the  
purpose of taking or attempting to take any wild bird to be for-  
30 feited and disposed of as the Court may direct.

2.—(1) If any person keeps or confines a bird in any cage or  
other receptacle which does not measure sufficient in height,  
length and breadth to permit such bird freely to stretch its wings,  
he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

Prohibition  
of the  
keeping of  
birds in  
confined  
cages.

35 (2) This section shall not apply to poultry within the meaning  
of the Poultry Act, 1911 or to any bird kept or contained in a  
cage or other receptacle which does not comply with the condi-  
tions mentioned in the last preceding sub-section—

(a) whilst being conveyed by land or water;

40 (b) whilst being shown for the purpose of public exhibition  
or competition, if the time during which it is so kept  
or confined does not in the whole exceed seventy-two  
hours.

3.—(1) Any person taking or destroying the eggs of the lap-  
45 wing or of the plover between the first day of March and the  
first day of August in any year shall be guilty of an offence  
under this Act.

Taking of eggs  
of lapwing or  
plover.

(2) Where any person is convicted of an offence under this  
section, the Court shall in addition to any penalty that may be  
50 imposed order the eggs taken by such person to be forfeited and  
disposed of as the Court may direct.

4.—(1) If any person is guilty of an offence against this Act he  
shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not ex-  
ceeding twenty-five pounds or, alternatively or in addition there-  
55 to, to be imprisoned with or without hard labour for any term  
not exceeding three months.

Penalties,  
etc.

(2) The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to and not in  
derogation of the provisions of any other enactment imposing  
penalties for offences of cruelty to birds.

60 5.—This Act may be cited as the Wild Birds Protection Short title.  
(Amendment) Act, 1927.

[No. 3a of 1927.]



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*dá ngairmtear*

*entitled*

Acht chun soerú do dhéanamh chun éanacha  
fiadhaine do chaomhaint tuille.

An Act to provide for the further protection  
of wild birds.

*Somhairle Brún do thug isteach.*

*Introduced by Senator S. L. Brown, K.C.*

*Aindrias Mac Séamais agus Sir Seán  
Ó Griobhtha ag cabhrú leis.*

*Supported by Senators the Rt. Hon. Andrew  
Jameson and Sir John Griffith.*

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