

W. M. Dunn

1842.

56. LAWS

OF THE

INDIANA TERRITORY;

Comprising those Acts formerly in force, and as Revised by Messrs. *John Rice Jones*, and *John Johnson*, and passed (after amendments) by the Legislature; and the Original Acts Passed at the First Session of the Second General Assembly of the said Territory.

Begun and held at the Borough of Vincennes, on the sixteenth day of August, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and seven.

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faithfully and impartially to discharge the duties by this law enjoined.

JESSE B. THOMAS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

B. CHAMBERS,

President of the Council.

Approved—September 17th, 1807.

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON.

CHAPTER XCI.

AN ACT to prevent the disposing of Arms, and other Warlike Implements, and Ammunition to Indians and others.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the General Assembly, that there is reason to expect hostilities from some of the neighbouring tribes of Indians, whilst others, more contiguous, seem disposed to preserve the friendship of the United States: *And whereas,* The laws of the United States, do not prevent the sale of arms and ammunition to the peaceful tribes or others within the settled parts of the country, through which, those that may prove hostile, may procure the same.

Preamble

§ 1. BE it therefore enacted by the Legislative Council and House of Representatives, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Executive of the Territory for the time being, be, and he is

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prohibit fur-
nishing arms
to Indians.

hereby authorized and empowered by pro-
clamation to prohibit the furnishing by sale,
gift, or otherwise, all, & every species of war-
like weapons, and impliments; ammuni-
tion or warlike stores, to any Indian or Indi-
ans, dwelling within, or without the limits
or lines of the several counties in this Ter-
ritory, when in his opinion the publick wel-
fare and safety may require such prohibiti-
on.

Persons vio-
lating how
punished.

§ 2. *And be it further enacted*, That
any person or persons, who shall directly or
indirectly, by gift, present, donation, loan,
sale or otherwise furnish and provide, or
have furnished and provided any Indian or
Indians, with any article of ammunition,
such as flints, powder, lead or balls, or with
any warlike impliments or deadly weapons,
such as knives, spears, battle axes, tome-
hawks, pistols, fusils, rifles, smooth bores, or
muskets, contrary to the proclamation of
the Executive, as aforesaid, every person or
persons, so offending, shall, upon conviction
by indictment or presentment, in any court
of record in this Territory, be fined in any
sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be
whipped publickly, any number of stripes,
not exceeding one hundred well laid on,
and be imprisoned for a term not exceed-
ing five years, at the discretion of the court
before whom the same may be tried, and
moreover, shall stand committed, after ha-
ving received the stripes, until the fine and
costs be paid.

How long in
force.

This act shall take effect from and after
the passing thereof, and shall continue in

force until the end of the next session of the General Assembly.

JESSE B. THOMAS,

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CHAPTER XCII.

AN ACT for Levying and Collecting a Tax on Land and for other purposes.

§ 1. BE it enacted &c. That the courts of Common Pleas of the several counties in this Territory, shall within fifteen days after the first day of January next, and within fifteen days after the first day of January quadrennially thereafter, or at any special court by them to be appointed for that purpose, which they are hereby authorized at any time to hold, shall appoint an Assessor for the purposes hereafter mentioned, each of whom shall, before they begin the duties of their respective office take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation, before any Judge or Justice of the said county, viz.

“ I do swear or affirm, as the case may be, that as Assessor for I will to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully execute the duties

Crt. C. P. to
appt. an as-
sessor.

Assessor to
take oath.

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