

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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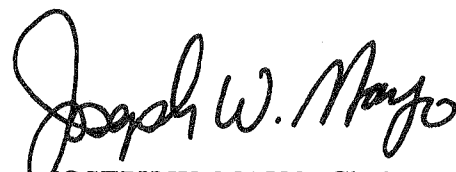
House of Representatives, February 4, 1997

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**An Act to Require That Dogs Be Kept on Leashes.**

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Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield.  
Cosponsored by Representative BAKER of Dixfield.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3911**, as amended by PL 1987, c. 643, §1, is  
further amended to read:

6 **§3911. Dogs not to run at large**

8 It is unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to run  
at large, except when used for hunting. Any dog not in a house  
10 or other enclosure must be tied or kept on a leash at all times,  
even on the owner's or keeper's property. The owner or keeper of  
12 any dog found running at large ~~shall be~~ or not tied or on a leash  
is subject to the penalties provided in this chapter.  
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16 **SUMMARY**

18 Any dog, except when used for hunting, must be tied or kept  
on a leash at all times, even on the owner's or keeper's property.