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S.P. 231

In Senate, February 4, 1997

An Act to Prohibit the Docking of a Cow's Tail.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative: BERRY of Livermore.

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

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Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3907, sub-§20, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 383, §3, is amended to read:

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20. Mutilate. "Mutilate" includes, but is not limited to, cutting the bone, muscles or tendons of the tail of a horse or a cow for the purpose of docking or setting up the tail and cropping or cutting off the ear of a dog in whole or in part.

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SUMMARY

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This bill prohibits the docking a cow's tail by amending the definition of mutilate in the animal welfare laws. Mutilation is prohibited by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 4011, subsection 1, paragraph D.