

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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L.D. 1057

Date: 5/15/25 MINORITY

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**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
132ND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 686, L.D. 1057, "Resolve, to Aid Municipalities, Animal Control Officers and Other Parties in Complying with Electronic Dog Licensing Requirements"

Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, to Aid Municipalities in Complying with Dog Licensing Database Requirements'**

Amend the resolve by striking out all of the emergency preamble.

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. Moratorium. Resolved:** That the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may not require a municipality to participate in the dog licensing database as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 3925 or to implement PetPoint software or any other data management platform for the purpose of tracking licenses for dogs until one year following the effective date of this section; during this time, the department shall allow municipalities to use alternative methods for the purposes of tracking dog licenses.'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the 4th line (page 1, line 27 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "issuance" and inserting the following: 'tracking'

Amend the resolve by inserting after section 2 the following:

**'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF  
Animal Welfare Fund 0946**

Initiative: Provides funding for contracted services.

**GENERAL FUND**  
All Other

2025-26	2026-27
\$104,746	\$838

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$104,746</u>	<u>\$838</u>
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## Animal Welfare Fund 0946

Initiative: Provides funding for contract associated information technology services.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
All Other	\$522	\$174

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	\$522	\$174
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**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND  
FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF  
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

<b>DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$104,746</b>	<b>\$838</b>
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$522</b>	<b>\$174</b>

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$105,268	\$1,012
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Amend the resolve by striking out all of the emergency clause.

Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

## SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause from the resolve and changes the title. It corrects a cross-reference in the resolve. The amendment provides that for a period of one year following the effective date of this legislation the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may not require a municipality to participate in the dog licensing database as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 3925 or to implement PetPoint software or any other data management platform. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

**132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1057****LR 1863(02)****Resolve, to Aid Municipalities, Animal Control Officers and Other Parties in Complying with  
Electronic Dog Licensing Requirements****Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-174)****Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry****Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

	<b>FY 2025-26</b>	<b>FY 2026-27</b>	<b>Projections FY 2027-28</b>	<b>Projections FY 2028-29</b>
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$104,746	\$838	\$0	\$0
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$104,746	\$838	\$0	\$0
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$522	\$174	\$0	\$0

**Fiscal Detail and Notes**

This bill temporarily limits certain administrative requirements related to municipal electronic dog licensing and directs the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to implement an alternative licensing process. The department has indicated that the duplicative requirements would necessitate additional resources. The bill includes one-time General Fund appropriations of \$104,746 in FY 2025-26 and \$838 in FY 2026-27, and Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$522 in FY 2025-26 and \$174 in FY 2026-27, for contracted services and associated IT costs.