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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 414 In Senate, February 7, 1963 Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Pike of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Fee for Disposal of Dogs and Damages Done by Dogs.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 100, § 15, amended. Section 15 of chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 94 of the public laws of 1961, is further amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 15. Officers to make returns. Each police officer, constable or State Humane Agent to whom the warrants named in section 14 are issued shall return the same at the time specified. Such officers shall receive from the municipality the sum of \$2 \$3 for each dog killed or otherwise disposed of, and for other services rendered under sections 9 to 28, they shall receive such compensation as the municipal officers may determine.

In no case shall such officer be entitled to more than \$2 \$3 as a fee for disposing of any dog.'

- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 100, § 16, amended. Section 16 of chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 16. Copies of law posted. The Commissioner of Agriculture shall seasonably forward to the clerks of the several eities, towns and plantations municipalities copies of the 7 preceding sections 9 to 15, and each clerk shall annually, at least 20 days before the first day of April, post said copies in the usual places of posting notices of the annual municipal or town elections.'
- Sec. 3. R. S., c. 100, § 18, amended. Section 18 of chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 186 of the public laws

of 1957 and as amended, is further amended by adding after the 2nd paragraph, a new paragraph to read as follows:

'No claim for such damages shall be allowed to anyone who owns, harbors or has in his possession any unlicensed dog which is 4 months of age, or over, on the first day of April.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 100, § 18, amended. The 3rd paragraph from the end of section 18 of chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 186 of the public laws of 1957, is repealed as follows:

'All dogs doing such damage and found without leather or metal collar and tag as required by law shall be deemed to be unlicensed. If investigation shows such dog or dogs to have been legally licensed, the State shall accept liability and adjust the damage.'