

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 204

House of Representatives, January 22, 1969

Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hunter of Durham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Duties of Sheriffs in Enforcement of Dog Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 7, § 3702, amended. The first paragraph of section 3702 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 6 of chapter 193 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

The municipal officers of each municipality shall annually within the month of April issue a warrant, returnable on December 15th following, to one or more police officers ~~or~~, constables, **sheriff or deputy sheriffs**, directing him or them to proceed forthwith to enter complaint and summons to court the owner of keeper of any unlicensed dog. The said police officer ~~or~~, constable, **sheriff or deputy sheriffs** shall, before entering such complaint and obtaining said summons, call on the owner or keeper of said dog and demand that he conform with the law and pay the license fees due, and if the owner pays such license fees, he shall pay in addition thereto the officer's fee of \$3, which the officer shall retain and make return and pay over to the ~~city or town~~ **municipal clerk** the license fees received by him.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 7, § 3703, amended. The first sentence of section 3703 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 7 of chapter 494 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

Each police officer ~~or~~, constable, **sheriff or deputy sheriff**, to whom the warrants named in section 3702 are issued shall return the same at the time specified.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 7, § 3704, amended. Section 3704 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 17 of chapter 513 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 3704. Official refusal or neglect of duty

Any mayor, selectman, clerk, constable ~~or~~, police officer, **sheriff or deputy sheriff** who refuses or willfully neglects to perform the duties imposed by sections 3401 to 3403, 3451, 3452, 3651 to 3653 and 3701 to 3703 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50, and costs.