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E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Regulating Experiments on Animals.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 17, § 1055, amended. The first sentence of section 1055 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

No person in any of the schools of the State, public or private, in grades kindergarten to 12 shall perform any experiment upon any living vertebrate. No person shall exhibit to any pupil in such schools any living vertebrate which has been experimented upon.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 1281-A, additional. Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1281-A to read as follows:

§ 1281-A. Biology education

The Department of Educational and Cultural Services shall adopt and have posted in all secondary school biology laboratories "guiding principles for use in biology education." The department shall cooperate with the state science teachers and the State Biologists Association in formulating these guiding principles.