

## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 457, L.D. 561, Bill, "AN ACT for the Humane Treatment of Animals in Schools, Public and Private."

Amend said Bill in the 8th and 9th lines (6th and 7th lines in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "<u>in the custody of someone with</u> access to the building" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words '<u>adequate care is</u> provided'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "<u>§1055</u>" by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following underlined paragraph:

'Any animal, whose use is permitted under this section, shall be treated in accordance with a set of ethical and humane standards to be promulgated by the Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Welfare after consultation with representative groups in the State having an interest or expertise in the field of animal welfare, biology and education.'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "<u>§1055</u>" in the 4th paragraph in the first line (same in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined words "<u>of the</u>" the underlined words '<u>Commissioner of Agriculture in consultation</u> with the'

## Statement of Fact

The intent of this amendment is to place the responsibility of developing standards and enforcing the bill with the Department of Agriculture.

Reported by the Committee on Agriculture. Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 3/13/75

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