# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

# Legislative Document

No. 676

H. P. 559 House of Representatives, March 1, 1977 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Nadeau of Sanford.

### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

#### AN ACT Concerning Dog License Fees.

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

7 MRSA § 3451, 2nd ¶, 1st 3 sentences, as amended by PL 1975, c. 391, § 1, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

A fee of \$4.50 shall be paid the city or town clerk for each license issued on castrated male dogs and spayed female dogs. A fee of \$9.50 shall be paid for all female dogs capable of bearing young and all uncastrated male dogs. All female dogs shall be deemed capable of producing young unless a certificate issued by any licensed veterinarian, or any previous license record, is presented from a licensed veterinarian stating that such female was made incapable of bearing young by spaying by him. All male dogs shall be deemed uncastrated unless a certificate issued by any licensed veterinarian, or any previous license record, is presented from a licensed veterinarian stating that such male was castrated by him. All certificates of spaying and castration shall accompany the license application.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would equalize the licensing fees for male and female dogs who are capable of breeding. The fee for an uncastrated male or unspayed female would be \$9.50 and the license fee for a castrated male or spayed female would be \$4.50.