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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 561, L.D. 678, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide that Humane Shelters Selling or Giving Dogs away must Notify the Town Clerk of the Sale or Gift."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'<u>7 MRSA §3406</u>, as last amended by PL 1969, c. 242, is further amended by adding after the 4th sentence the following new sentences:

Any licensed veterinarian, humane society or shelter selling or giving away a dog cared for under the provisions of this section shall, within 5 business days after the dog leaves, notify the clerk of the municipality in which the person taking the dog resides. Such notice shall include a description of the dog and the name and address of the person taking the dog.'

## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to require that agencies giving away or selling stray dogs must notify the clerk of the municipality in which any person taking a dog resides. This will enable the municipalities to monitor new dogs within the municipality and assist in enforcing licensing laws and other laws concerning dogs.

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Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Agriculture.

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