

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 156

In Senate, February 6, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent down for concurrence and 1,800 ordered printed.

Presented by Senator Usher of Cumberland.

Cosponsor: Senator Pray of Penobscot.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Amend Dog License Fees and Control.

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA § 3451, 2nd ¶, first sentence, as amended by PL 1975, c. 391, § 1, is further amended to read:

A fee of ~~\$1.50~~ **\$4.50** shall be paid the city or town clerk for each license issued ~~on male dogs, and a fee of \$5.50 shall be paid for all female dogs capable of bearing young of which \$1.50 shall be retained by that city or town.~~

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA § 3451, 2nd ¶, 2nd sentence is repealed.

Sec. 3. 7 MRSA § 3451, 2nd ¶, 3rd sentence, as amended by PL 1975, c. 391, § 1, is repealed.

Sec. 4. 7 MRSA § 3705, last sentence, as amended by PL 1977, c. 696, § 111, is further amended to read:

~~All~~ **One half of all** fines and forfeitures imposed shall be paid into the treasury of the county where the offense is committed and shall be transmitted by the county treasurer to the treasurer of the municipality where the offense or violation is ~~committed~~ **committed** unless otherwise provided.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide an equalized fee for dog licenses of \$4.50 of which \$1.50 shall be retained by the municipality.

The bill also provides that 1/2 of all fines and forfeitures collected for violation of the dog control laws will be returned to the municipalities.