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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 124

H. P. 94

House of Representatives, January 7, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lancaster of Kittery.

Cosponsors: Mr. Rolde of York, Mrs. Hutchings of Lincolnville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Dog Licensing Funds.

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

7 MRSA § 3451, 5th paragraph, as last amended by PL 1979, Pt. A, c. 672, § 40, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

All license blanks and tags shall be furnished by the commissioner. The commissioner shall be responsible for carrying out the dog licensing laws and for adjusting claims for damages to sheep by dogs and wild animals. The expense of furnishing the blanks and tags, approved claims for damages done to sheep by dogs and necessary salary, travel and administrative expenses shall be paid from funds received from the licensing of dogs. In addition, the commissioner shall use funds received from the licensing of dogs for the administration of the Division of Animal Welfare.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would discontinue the use of dog license funds for the promotion of animal husbandry and instead make such funds available for use in the administration of the Cruelty to Animals laws within the Division of Animal Welfare.