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STATE OF MAINE
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SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 582, L.D. 1558, Bill,
"AN ACT to Reimburse Owners of Livestock, Poultry or
Beehives which are Destroyed or Damaged by Dogs or Wild
Animals."

Amend the Bill by striking out section 1 and inserting
in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1510-B, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 672,
§3, is amended to read:

§1510-B. No liability for wild animal damage

The State is not liable for damage done by ~~dogs-or~~
wild animals to beehives or livestock~~7-other-than-sheep~~.
Neither state agencies nor the State Claims Board may accept
claims for such ~~dog-or~~ wild animal damage.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out section 4 and
inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. 7 MRSA §3451, 5th ¶, as last amended by PL
1979, c. 731, §19, is repealed and the following enacted
in its place:

All license blanks and tags shall be furnished by the
commissioner. The commissioner shall carry out the dog
licensing laws and the adjustment of, and authorization of
payment of, claims for damages to livestock, poultry and
domestic rabbits by dogs. The expense of furnishing the
blanks and tags, and the necessary personnel and travel, and

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approved claims for damages done by dogs shall be paid from the funds received from the licensing of dogs. The commissioner shall use funds received from the licensing of dogs, in addition to any other funds authorized for expenses of the Division of Animal Welfare. In addition, the commissioner may use funds received from the licensing of dogs to promote animal husbandry within the State until December 31, 1983.'

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in that part designated "§3652-A." in the first line by striking out the underlined words "or wild animals"

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in that part designated "§3652-A." in the 5th line (4th line in the L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "or wild animals"

Further amend the Bill in section 5 in that part designated "§3652-A." in the 11th line (10th line in the L.D) by striking out the underlined words "or wild animals"

Further amend the Bill in section 5 by striking out the last sentence.

Further amend the Bill by striking out sections 7 and 9.

Further amend the Bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Further amend the Bill by striking out the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

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'Fiscal Note

This amendment eliminates an estimated \$7,200 to \$10,300 in claims for wild animal damage against the dedicated dog license fund in the fiscal year 1982 and \$9,600 to \$13,700 in claims against that fund in the fiscal year 1983. It also eliminates claims against the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife fund for bear damage to bees in the fiscal year 1984 and subsequent years.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment eliminates state payments for damages done to livestock, poultry, domestic rabbits and bees by wild animals.


(Sen. McBreairty)
NAME:

COUNTY:Aroostook

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