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House of Representatives, May 5, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Island Falls.

Cosponsored by Representative HUSSEY of Milo, Representative PINES of Limestone and Representative BELL of Caribou.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act Regarding Documentation of Rabies Shots for Dogs Brought
into This State.**



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

3 **7 MRSA §3923, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 383, §3, is**
5 amended to read:

7 **4. Rabies tag.** The rabies tag obtained from a veterinarian
9 for immunization against rabies shall be securely attached to a
11 collar of leather, metal or material of comparable strength which
13 shall be worn by the dog for which the tag was issued, except
15 when hunting, in training or when used in exhibitions. When the
17 dog is hunting, in training or in an exhibition, its owner or
keeper shall produce proof of licensurē in this State, or if the
dog is brought to this State from another state for hunting,
training or exhibiting, proof of rabies immunization, within 24
hours upon request by a humane agent, animal control officer or
law enforcement officer, including a game warden.

19 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

21 This bill clarifies that owners or keepers of all dogs in
23 this State must produce proof within 24 hours of rabies
25 vaccination administered in this State or another state upon
request of a humane agent, animal control officer or law
enforcement officer, including a game warden, if using the dog
for hunting, training or exhibiting.