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Presented by Representative RICHARDS of Hampden. Cosponsored by Representative LORD of Waterboro, Representative TARDY of Palmyra and Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act Authorizing Certified Breeders of Domestic Animals to Administer Rabies Vaccinations.

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

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3923, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1989, c. 278, is further amended to read:

б 4. Rabies tag. The rabies tag obtained from a veterinarian or certified breeder for immunization against rabies shall must be securely attached to a collar of leather, metal or material of 8 comparable strength which-shall that must be worn by the dog for which the tag was issued, except when hunting, in training or 10 when used in exhibitions. When the dog is hunting, in training 12 or in an exhibition, its owner or keeper shall produce proof of licensure in this State, or if the dog is brought to this State from another state for hunting, training or exhibiting, proof of 14 rabies immunization, within 24 hours upon request by a humane agent, animal control officer or law enforcement officer, 16 including a game warden.

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §3925 is enacted to read:

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<u>§3925. Rabies; immunization</u>

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Certified breeders may administer immunization against rabies to domestic animals. The department shall, by rule, establish methods to determine persons who qualify as certified breeders and to maintain a registry of certified breeders gualified to administer immunization of rabies.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill allows certified breeders to administer rabies shots to domestic animals.

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