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H.P. 108

House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

An Act Authorizing County Commissioners to Enact Noise and Animal Control Ordinances in Unorganized Territories.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska.
Cosponsored by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland and
Representatives: BUMPS of China, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: FERGUSON of
Oxford.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §7504** is enacted to read:

6 **§7504. Ordinance powers authorized**

8 The county commissioners of each county may adopt ordinances
10 only for the purposes of animal control and regulation of noise
12 to protect the health, safety and general welfare of residents of
14 the unorganized territory in their county. When enacting
16 ordinances under this section, the county commissioners shall
18 give 7 days' notice of the meeting at which the ordinances are to
20 be proposed in the manner provided for town meetings. Unless
otherwise provided, these ordinances take effect immediately.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill authorizes county commissioners of each county to
20 adopt animal control and noise ordinances within unorganized
territory in their county.