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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "**A**" to H.P. 280, L.D. 360, Bill, "An Act To Strengthen the Animal Control Laws"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3952, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 350, §2, is amended to read:

A person who owns or keeps a dangerous dog commits a civil violation for which ~~a forfeiture of not more than \$1,000, plus costs, may be adjudged~~ the court shall adjudge a fine of not less than \$250 and not more than \$1,000, plus costs, none of which may be suspended.

SUMMARY

This amendment removes section 1 of the bill, which proposed increasing the fine for violation of the uncontrolled dog laws. It amends the proposed penalty for keeping a dangerous dog to specify that the fine may not be suspended.

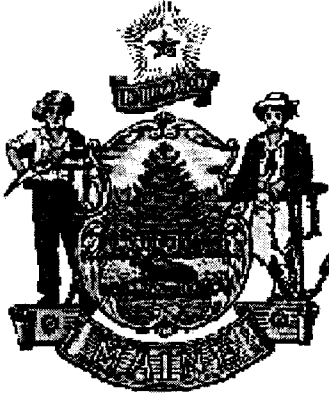
FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

**121st Maine Legislature
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**

LD 360

An Act To Strengthen the Animal Control Laws



LR 1554(02)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor revenue increase - General Fund