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L.D. 1545

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "**A**" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 520, L.D. 1545, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Animal Welfare Laws"

Amend the amendment in section 9 in that part designated "**§3923-A.**" in subsection 1 in the 2nd line (page 6, line 26 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$15" and inserting in its place the following: '\$10'

Further amend the amendment in section 9 in that part designated "**§3923-A.**" in subsection 1 by striking out all of the blocked paragraph (page 6, lines 32 to 36 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'The municipal clerk shall retain a \$1 as-a recording fee and pay the remaining ~~\$6.50~~ \$9 to the department for deposit in the Animal Welfare Fund.'

Further amend the amendment in section 9 in that part designated "**§3923-A.**" in subsection 2 in the 2nd line (page 6, line 39 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$8" and inserting in its place the following: '\$6'

Further amend the amendment in section 9 in that part designated "**§3923-A.**" in subsection 2 in the last paragraph in the 3rd line (page 7, line 6 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$5" and inserting in its place the following: '\$3'

Further amend the amendment in section 16 in that part designated "**§3942.**" in the first paragraph in the 3rd line (page

HOUSE AMENDMENT

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 520, L.D. 1545

9, line 11 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$12" and inserting in its place the following: '\$9'

Further amend the amendment in section 16 in that part designated "\$3942." in the first paragraph in the 3rd line (page 9, line 11 in amendment) by striking out the following: "\$5" and inserting in its place the following: '\$3'

Further amend the amendment in section 16 in that part designated "\$3942." in the 2nd paragraph in the 2nd and 3rd lines (page 9, lines 21 and 22 in amendment) by striking out the following: "for--a--dog--incapable--of--producing--young" and inserting in its place the following: 'for a dog incapable of producing young'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 19 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 19. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND RURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF

Animal Welfare Fund 0946

Initiative: Allocates funds for 2 additional District Humane Agent positions, increased operating costs and the costs of establishing a spay/neuter pet program to benefit low-income families.

Other Special Revenue Funds	2003-04	2004-05
Positions - Legislative Count	(2,000)	(2,000)
Personal Services	\$88,500	\$120,000
All Other	147,032	194,042
Other Special Revenue Funds Total	\$235,532	\$314,042

Animal Welfare Fund 0946

Initiative: Allocates funds for the newly established Animal Welfare Auxiliary Fund.

Other Special Revenue Funds	2003-04	2004-05
All Other	\$500	\$500
Other Special Revenue Funds Total	\$500	\$500

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HOUSE AMENDMENT

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2	DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2003-04	2004-05
4	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$236,032	\$314,542
6	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$236,032	\$314,542

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SUMMARY

12 This amendment reduces the proposed increase in dog
13 licenses. Committee Amendment "A" proposed a license fee of \$15
14 for a dog capable of producing young and a license fee of \$8 for
15 a dog that is incapable of producing young. This amendment
16 reduces the fees to \$10 and \$6 respectively. It removes the
17 provision in Committee Amendment "A" that allowed municipalities
18 to retain \$2 per licensed dog capable of producing young.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

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SPONSORED BY: *Linda Rogers McKee*
(Representative MCKEE)

TOWN: Wayne

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

LD 1545

An Act To Amend the Animal Welfare Laws



LR 1899(05)

Fiscal Note for House Amendment " " to Committee Amendment " "

Sponsor: Representative McKee

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2003-04	2004-05	Projections 2005-06	Projections 2006-07
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$236,032	\$314,542	\$314,542	\$314,54.
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$235,532	\$314,042	\$314,042	\$314,042

Fiscal Detail and Notes

As amended, the bill includes additional Other Special Revenue allocations of \$235,532 and \$314,042 for fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05, respectively, for the Animal Welfare Fund program within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to reflect the program's increased responsibilities. The amended bill also includes initial Other Special Revenue Funds allocations for the newly established Animal Welfare Auxiliary Fund; the amount is \$500 beginning in fiscal year 2003-04.

The increased Other Special Revenue fees authorized by this bill will generate an estimated \$235,532 and \$314,042 in dedicated revenues for the Animal Welfare Fund in fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05, respectively. Dedicated revenues for the newly established Animal Welfare Auxiliary Fund will depend on whatever allowable revenue can be collected; the amounts cannot be determined at this time.