

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### **An Act To Make More Affordable the Surcharge on the Sale of Dogs and Cats That Have Not Been Neutered**

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Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Representative VAUGHAN of Durham and  
Senator: GOOLEY of Franklin, Representatives: CEBRA of Naples, McKANE of Newcastle.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §3933, sub-§4**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 281, §7, is amended to  
3 read:

4 **4. Surcharge on sale of dogs and cats that have not been neutered.** A person  
5 maintaining a pet shop shall collect a surcharge of ~~\$25~~ \$5 on each cat or dog sold that has  
6 not been neutered and forward the entire surcharge to the department for deposit in the  
7 Companion Animal Sterilization Fund established under section 3910-B.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill reduces the surcharge collected by pet shops on each dog or cat sold that has  
10 not been neutered from \$25 to \$5.