

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Minority

3 AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

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5 STATE OF MAINE

6 SENATE

7 128TH LEGISLATURE

8 FIRST REGULAR SESSION

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 533, L.D. 1508, Bill, "An Act To  
10 Improve Animal Control in Maine"

11 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

12 'Resolve, To Improve Animal Control in Maine'

13 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and  
14 inserting the following:

15 'Sec. 1. Development of animal licensure incentives. Resolved: That the  
16 Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall, within existing resources,  
17 develop strategies to encourage owners of dogs to license their dogs under the Maine  
18 Revised Statutes, Title 7, chapter 721. The strategies may include, but are not limited to:

19 1. An advertising and public outreach campaign promoting licensure and offering  
20 incentives donated by participating businesses, including coupons, rewards cards and  
21 discounts for goods or services;

22 2. Development of an exclusive logo or certificate that may be displayed by  
23 participating businesses that actively participate in any promotional campaigns developed  
24 by the commissioner; and

25 3. Coordination with municipalities and other entities authorized to license dogs to  
26 disseminate information, notices and flyers promoting licensure in municipal offices, on  
27 publicly accessible municipal websites and in other public buildings.'

28 SUMMARY

29 This amendment is the minority report of the committee. It removes the optional cat  
30 licensing section, changes the bill to a resolve and retains the provision that directs the  
31 Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to develop strategies to  
32 encourage owners of dogs to license their pets, including an advertising and public  
33 outreach campaign promoting licensure; offering incentives such as coupons and rewards  
34 cards donated by participating businesses; developing an exclusive logo or certificate that

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1 may be displayed by supporting businesses; and coordinating with municipalities and  
2 other entities authorized to license dogs to disseminate information, notices and flyers  
3 promoting licensure.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**

***COMMITTEE AMENDMENT***



# 128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1508

LR 1867(02)

An Act To Improve Animal Control in Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-175)  
Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry  
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to develop strategies to encourage owners of dogs to license their pets are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.