

Sixty-Second Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 144.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to amend section thirty-seven of chapter fourteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Contagious Diseases among Cattle.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature Assembled, as follows:

Section thirty-seven of chapter fourteen of the 2 Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting 3 after the word "cattle," in the first and ninth 4 lines of said section, the words, 'swine and sheep,' 5 so that said section, as amended, shall read as fol-6 lows:

^{SECT. 37.} The municipal officers of towns shall 8 cause all cattle, swine and sheep therein, infected 9 with lung-murrain, or pleuro-pneumonia, or any

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10 other contagious disease, or which have been ex-11 posed to infection, to be secured or collected in 12 some suitable place or places therein, and kept 13 isolated; and when taken from the possession of 14 their owners, one-fifth of the expense thereof shall 15 be paid by the town, and four-fifths by the State, 16 such isolation to continue so long as the existence 17 of such disease, or other circumstances render it 18 necessary; or they may direct the owners thereof 19 to isolate such cattle, swine and sheep upon their 20 own premises, and any damage or loss sustained 21 thereby shall be paid as aforesaid.'

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 20, 1885.

Reported from Committee on Agriculture, by Mr. WHITTIER; ordered printed under joint rule.

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NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.