

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fourth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 165.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section forty-two of chapter one
hundred and twenty-four of the Revised Statutes,
relating to Cruelty to Animals.

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

SECTION 1. Section forty-two of chapter one
2 hundred and twenty-four of the Revised Statutes
3 is hereby amended, so that the same shall read as
4 follows:

'SECT. 42. Such officer or agent may take pos-
6 session of any old, maimed, disabled, diseased or
7 injured animal not properly cared for and apply to
8 any municipal or police court or trial justice for
9 process to cause the same to be destroyed. If the

10 owner is known, a copy of such application shall
11 be served upon him in hand with an order of court
12 to appear at a time and place named to show cause
13 why such animal should not be destroyed and its
14 value fixed. If the owner is not known, then the
15 court shall order notices to be posted in two public
16 and conspicuous places in the town, stating the
17 case in substance, and giving forty-eight hours'
18 notice of the hearing thereon. At such hearings
19 the court shall determine the value of such animal
20 and may issue process directing such officer to de-
21 stroy the same. The defendant may appeal as in
22 civil actions.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 5, 1889.

Reported by Mr. HEATH from Committee on Judiciary, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

C. W. TILDEN, *Secretary*.