

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 100.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND NINETY-THREE.

AN ACT for the Protection of Horses.

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

SECTION 1. Whoever cuts the solid part of the tail of
2 any horse in the operation known as docking, or by any
3 other operation performed for the purpose of shortening
4 the tail, and whoever shall cause the same to be done, or
5 assist in doing such cutting, unless the same is proved to
6 be a benefit to the horse, shall be punished by imprison-
7 ment in the jail not exceeding one year, or by fine not
8 less than one hundred nor more than two hundred and
9 fifty dollars. All fines collected under this act upon, or
10 resulting from, the complaint or information of an officer

11 or agent of the Maine State Society for the Protection of
12 Animals, shall be paid over to said society in aid of the
13 benevolent objects for which it was incorporated.

SECT. 2. Municipal and police courts and trial justices
2 shall on complaint cause to be arrested persons charged
3 with the commission, in their counties, of any offence de-
4 scribed in this act, and when such offence is not of a high
5 and aggravated nature, may try and punish by fine not
6 less than five dollars nor more than twenty dollars, and
7 by imprisonment not exceeding thirty days; but when,
8 on examination, the offence appears to be one not within
9 their jurisdiction for trial, they may cause the person
10 charged with the commission of the same, to recognize
11 with sureties to appear before the supreme judicial or
12 superior court, and in default thereof to be committed to
13 jail.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 10, 1893. }

Reported by Mr. DELANO of Abbot, from Committee on Agriculture,
and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*