

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 307

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT for the better Protection of Sheep in the Town of
Perry.

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

Section 1. The assessors in the town of Perry shall include
2 in their inventory of dogs all dogs owned by or in possession
3 of, members of the tribe of Indians at Pleasant Point, an
4 Indian reservation adjoining said town of Perry.

Sect. 2. Every member of said tribe of Indians, at Pleasant
2 Point, that owns or keeps a dog, more than four months old,
3 shall annually, before the first day of April, cause it to be
4 registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year
5 from the first day of April, in the office of the clerk of the

6 town of Perry, and shall keep around its neck, a collar, dis-
7 tinctly marked with the owner's name and its registered num-
8 ber, and shall pay to said clerk for a license, the sum of one
9 dollar and fifteen cents for each male dog, and three dollars
10 and fifteen cents for each female dog, and any member of said
11 tribe at Pleasant Point, becoming the owner or keeper of a
12 dog after the first day of April, not duly licensed, shall cause
13 it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed as pro-
14 vided above.

Sect. 3. The clerk of said town of Perry shall issue said
2 license and receive the money therefor, and pay the same to
3 the treasurer of said town, within thirty days thereafter; re-
4 taining to his own use fifteen cents for each license issued;
5 and the said treasurer shall pay the money so received to the
6 State treasurer on or before September first of each year.

Sect. 4. Any member of said tribe of Indians at Pleasant
2 Point that keeps a dog contrary to the provisions of this act
3 shall pay a fine of ten dollars, or be punished by imprisonment
4 in the jail in the county of Washington for not more than
5 thirty days.

Sect. 5. The selectmen of said town of Perry shall annu-
2 ally, within ten days from the first day of May, issue a war-
3 rant to any constable of said town, or to the constable of said
4 tribe of Indians, directing them to proceed forthwith, either to
5 kill or cause to be killed, all dogs at said Pleasant Point not
6 licensed and collared according to the provisions of this act,
7 and to enter complaint against the owners or keepers thereof.
8 Such officers shall receive from the town of Perry one dollar
9 for each dog so killed.

Sect. 6. When any person, resident of the State, shall
2 sustain any damage to his sheep, lambs or other domestic
3 animals, by reason of their being killed or injured by dogs
4 owned or kept by members of said tribe of Indians at Pleas-
5 ant Point, he shall give information thereof to the selectmen
6 of the town of Perry within twenty-four hours after he has
7 knowledge of the same, and thereupon said selectmen shall
8 estimate the amount of such damage, and all damage done by
9 dogs to sheep, lambs or other domestic animals proved to
10 the satisfaction of said selectmen, to have been committed,
11 shall be paid by said town of Perry.

Sect. 7. When the town of Perry shall have paid damages
2 to the owners of sheep, lambs or other domestic animals for
3 losses incurred from dogs, as provided by this act, the select-
4 men shall make a statement of the amount of damages so
5 paid, and transmit the same to the State treasurer, who shall
6 reimburse the town of Perry for the amount of damages so
7 paid.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 9, 1899.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*