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NEW DRAFT.

Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 191

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT amendatory of chapter thirty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine and section six of chapter two hundred eighty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the better Protection of Sheep.

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

Section 1. Section two of chapter thirty-three of the

- 2 Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine is hereby
- 3 amended by inserting after the word "purpose" in the fif-
- 4 teenth line the words 'provided he keeps such dogs within

5 a proper inclosure' so that said section as amended shall read 6 as follows:

'Sect. 2. Every owner or keeper of a dog more than four 8 months old shall annually, before the first day of April, cause 9 it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one 10 year from the first day of April, in the office of the clerk of II the city, town or plantation where said dog is kept, and 12 shall keep around its neck a collar distinctly marked with the 13 owner's name and its registered number, and shall pay to 14 said clerk for a license the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents 15 for each male dog and each female dog incapable of produc-16 ing young, and three dollars and fifteen cents for each other 17 female dog, and a person becoming the owner or keeper of a 18 dog after the first day of April, not duly licensed, shall cause 19 it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed as 20 provided above. Every owner or keeper of dogs, kept for 21 breeding purposes, may receive annually a special kennel 22 license authorizing him to keep such dogs for said purpose, 23 provided he keeps such dogs within a proper inclosure. 24 When the number of dogs so kept does not exceed ten, the 25 fee for such license shall be ten dollars, when the number of 26 dogs so kept exceeds ten, the fee for such license shall be 27 twenty dollars, and no fee shall be required for the dogs of 28 such owner or keeper under the age of six months. Dogs 29 covered by the kennel license shall be excepted from the 30 provisions of this section requiring registration, numbering 31 or collaring.'

Sect. 2. Section six of chapter two hundred eighty-seven 2 of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is

- 3 hereby amended by inserting after the word "collared" in the 4 sixth line the words 'or inclosed' so that said section as
- 5 amended shall read as follows:
- 'Sect. 6. The mayor of each city, the selectmen of towns 7 and the assessors of plantations shall annually within ten 8 days from the first day of May issue a warrant to one or 9 more police officers or constables directing them to proceed 10 forthwith either to kill or cause to be killed all dogs within 11 such city, town and plantation not licensed and collared or 12 inclosed according to the provisions of this act, and to enter 13 complaint against the owners or keepers thereof. Such offi-14 cers shall receive from the city, town or plantation, one dollar 15 for each dog so killed. All bills for such services shall be 16 approved by the mayor of cities, and municipal officers of 17 towns and plantations.'
- Sect. 3. This act shall take effect April one in the year of 2 our Lord nineteen hundred and one.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, Augusta, February 21, 1901.

Reported by Mr. (CUSHMAN of Sherman, from Committee on Agriculture, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.