

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 437

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend the Revised Statutes, chapter 125, section
53, relating to cruelty to animals.

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

Section 1. Section fifty-three of chapter one hundred and
2 twenty-five of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by
3 striking out from the eighth, ninth and tenth lines the words,
4 “for their travel and services, in conducting such investiga-
5 tions, such agents shall be paid by the county in which such
6 services are rendered, the same fees as are now allowed offi-
7 cers by law for the service of a warrant for arrest,” and
8 inserting instead thereof the following: ‘for services and

9 expenses in conducting such investigations such agents shall
10 be paid a reasonable sum by the county in which such ser-
11 vices are rendered and expenses incurred, and for their travel
12 the same fees as are now allowed officers, by law, for the
13 service of a warrant for arrest,' so that the said section as
14 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 53. Sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, police officers, con-
16 stables and agents appointed under the provisions of the fol-
17 lowing section, shall investigate all cases of cruelty to ani-
18 mals coming to their knowledge, and shall cause offenders
19 to be prosecuted in all cases in which the offense may appear
20 to be of a sufficiently aggravated nature to require prosecu-
21 tion; all fines imposed for the punishment of such offenses,
22 shall be paid over to the county treasurer of the county in
23 which the offense may have been committed. For services
24 and expenses in conducting such investigations such agents
25 shall be paid a reasonable sum by the county in which such
26 services are rendered and expenses incurred, and for their
27 travel the same fees as are now allowed officers, by law for
28 the service of a warrant for arrest; provided, however, that
29 all claims of such agents for such travel and services shall
30 first be audited and approved by the county commissioners
31 of the county liable to pay the same.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Augusta, March 9, 1905.

Reported by Mr. OAKES from Committee on Legal Affairs and
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*