

NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 151

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section fifty-one of chapter one hundred and twenty-five 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 fifty-one of chapter one hundred and 2 twenty-five of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by 3 adding to said section the following: 'And the keeping or 4 leaving sheep on any of the uninhabited and barren islands, 5 lying off the coast of Maine, within said State, during the 6 months of December, January, February and March of any 7 year, without providing sufficient food and proper shelter 8 therefor, shall be deemed prima facie evidence that the owner

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9 or person having the custody and control of such sheep has 10 violated the provision of this section,' so that said section as 11 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 51. Any person may take charge of an animal whose 13 owner has cruelly abandoned it, or cruelly fails to take care 14 of and provide for it, and may furnish the same with proper 15 shelter, nourishment and care at the owner's expense, and 16 have a lien thereon for the same, and the keeping or leaving 17 sheep on any of the uninhabited and barren islands, lying 18 off the coast of Maine, within said State, during the months 19 of December, January, February and March of any year, 20 without providing sufficient food and proper shelter there-21 for, shall be deemed prima facie evidence that the owner or 22 person having the custody and control of such sheep has vio-23 lated the provisions of this section.' •

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IN SENATE, March 3, 1905.

Reported by Mr. MILLS fro mCommittee on Legal Affairs and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.