

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 289

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*House of Representatives, Feb. 19, 1915.*

*Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.*

*Committee on Reference.*

*Presented by Mr. Conners of Bangor.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend Section fifty-three of Chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter one hundred and seven of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five.

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*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section fifty-three of chapter one hundred and twenty-five, 2 as amended by chapter one hundred and seven of the public 3 laws of nineteen hundred and five, is hereby amended by 4 striking out all of said section after the words "been com- 5 mitted" in seventh and eighth lines and inserting in place 6 thereof the following:

'For services and expenses in conducting such investigation such agents shall be paid by the county in which such services are rendered and expenses incurred, six cents a mile for travel, one dollar for investigation and five dollars for destroying and disposing of any animal,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 53. Sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, police officers, constables and agents appointed under the provisions of the following section, shall investigate all cases of cruelty to animals coming to their knowledge, and shall cause offenders to be prosecuted in all cases in which the offense may appear to be of a sufficiently aggravated nature to require prosecution; all fines imposed for the punishment of such offenses shall be paid over to the county treasurer of the county in which the offense may have been committed. For services and expenses in conducting such investigation such agents shall be paid by the county in which such services are rendered and expenses incurred, six cents a mile for travel, one dollar for investigation and five dollars for destroying and disposing of any animal.