

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 427

House of Representatives, March 15, 1919.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bean of Minot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Three of Chapter Thirty-five of the
Revised Statutes, Relating to the Prevention of Contagious
Diseases Among Animals.

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

Section three of chapter thirty-five of the revised statutes
2 is hereby amended by striking out in the sixteenth line of said
3 section three the words "one hundred" and inserting in place
4 thereof the words 'one hundred and fifty,' also by striking out
5 in the nineteenth line of said section three the word "seventy-
6 five" and inserting in place thereof the words 'one hundred,'
7 so that said section three as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. Upon the discovery of any disease mentioned in
2 the preceding section, the live stock sanitary commissioner

3 shall give notice of the existence and the locality thereof, by
4 publication in such newspapers as he may select, and shall
5 notify in writing the officials or agents of any railroad,
6 steamboat or other transportation company, doing business
7 in or through such infected locality, of the existence of such
8 disease; he shall establish and maintain such quarantine of
9 animals, places, premises or localities, as he may deem neces-
10 sary to prevent the spread of any such disease; he shall
11 cause the animal or animals affected with the said disease,
12 to be appraised in accordance with the rules and regulations
13 made by him, as hereinafter authorized and provided, and
14 shall cause the same to be destroyed, and a proper disposition
15 of the carcass made, according to the rules and regulations
16 aforesaid; he shall pay to the owner or owners thereof their
17 value, as determined at the time of the appraisal, out of any
18 moneys appropriated by the legislature for that purpose;
19 provided, however, that no appraised value shall be more
20 than one hundred and fifty dollars for cattle, with a pedi-
21 gree recorded, or recordable in the recognized herd books
22 of the breed in which the cattle destroyed may belong, nor
23 more than one hundred dollars, for the cattle which have no
24 recordable pedigree; and all other animals so destroyed shall
25 be paid for at the rate of one-half their cash value; pro-
26 vided, that no appraised value shall exceed one hundred
27 dollars for any horse condemned, provided, further, that in
28 no case shall compensation be allowed for any animal
29 destroyed under the provisions of this chapter, which may

30 have contracted or been exposed to such disease in a foreign
31 country or on the high seas, or that may have been brought
32 into this state, within one year previous to such animal
33 showing evidence of such disease, and the owner or owners
34 thereof shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the time dur-
35 ing which such animal or animals shall have been owned in
36 the state; nor shall compensation be allowed to any owner
37 who in person, or by agent, knowingly and wilfully conceals
38 the existence of such disease, or the fact of exposure thereto
39 in animals of which the person making such concealment,
40 by himself or agent, is in whole or in part owner.'