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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Dow of Kennebunkport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Dogs.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 5, § 158, amended. Section 158 of chapter 5 is amended by adding at the end of paragraph 1, the following :

‘within 10 days after the birth of any dog or its acquisition by purchase, gift or otherwise, every owner thereof shall file with the assessors of the city, town, or organized plantation, of his residence, a certificate of its birth, sex and where kept.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 5, amended. Chapter 5 of the revised statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections to be known as 158A and 158B and to read as follows :

‘Sec. 158A. Keepers of kennels to keep a register. Keepers of kennels shall keep a register which shall contain a sufficient and adequate description of each dog therein, including the residence of the owner, the name and residence of any purchaser or donee of any dog comprising a part of said kennel.

The return of such keepers of kennels made to the board of assessors as provided in section 158 shall not apply to any dog which is boarded at

such kennel for a stated period provided said kennel owner has not acquired any vested lien for the keeping of said dog.'

'Sec. 158B. Gifts of dogs. No person shall give a dog to any other person if the donee apparently is unable to properly care for the keeping, maintenance, and licensing of said dog.'