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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wight of Bangor.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Damages to Poultry.**

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

**R. S., c. 88, § 17, amended.** The 1st sentence of section 17 of chapter 88 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Whenever any **properly enclosed** poultry owned by a resident of this state is killed or injured by dogs, skunks, foxes, weasles, mink or coons, such owner may make complaint thereof to the mayor of the city or to one of the municipal officers of the town or plantation where such damage was done, within 24 hours after he has knowledge of the same, and thereupon the municipal officers of the town or plantation where such damage was the said damage was committed by dogs or wild animals within the limit of the city, town or plantation, they shall estimate the damage thereof according to the actual value of such poultry, and make returns of their findings together with the estimated damage, in triplicate; ~~the~~. **The original and duplicate copies shall be sworn to by the investigator before a notary, and this and the duplicate, together with a bill from the claimant, which shall be sworn to by him before a notary, shall be mailed to the commissioner of agriculture or his duly authorized agent, within 15 days from the date of investigation, and the triplicate shall be kept by the town clerk as his record.'**