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Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wight of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Damages to Poultry by Dogs or Wild Animals.

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 poultry owned by a resident of this state is killed or injured by dogs, skunks, foxes, weasels, 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 shall investigate the complaint and, if satisfied that the said damage was committed by dogs or wild animals within the limit of their city, town or plantation, **after viewing such birds or sufficient parts of each to identify same**, 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 original and duplicate copies together with a bill from the claimant 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.'