

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Stanley of Bangor.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to the Appointment of the State Humane Agents.**

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

**R. S., c. 140, § 23, amended.** Section 23 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 23. Governor and Council to appoint State Humane Agents.** ~~Upon application by the mayor and aldermen of any city, the selectmen of any town, the county commissioners of any county or the president and 3 directors of any society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, the~~ The Governor and Council may issue a badge and commission to any person designated to ~~arrest~~ license not exceeding 50 persons to be known as and denominated 'State Humane Agents to serve for the term of 4 years, unless such license is sooner revoked for cause, such persons to be authorized to investigate, arrest and prosecute any person charged with violating any of the preceding ~~27~~ sections 2 to 22, inclusive, the same as any sheriff, deputy sheriff or constable can do, and whose jurisdiction shall extend throughout the State. ~~Such persons so designated shall be known as and denominated State Humane Agents~~ Each person so licensed before receiving his commission shall give bond in the sum of \$500. Such bond shall be executed by a surety company authorized to do business within the State and shall be on a form approved by the Insurance Commissioner and shall be filed with the State Auditor. Such bond shall be conditioned for the proper discharge of the services which he may perform by virtue of such license. Every person licensed as a State Humane Agent shall, before receiving his license, pay to the Secretary of State \$10.'