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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

## SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

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receive further aid under this act until the amount so misapplied has been raised and expended for superintendence by such town or union of towns.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 8. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 297.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of [the Public Laws, of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the better protection of Sheep.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 287,  
public laws,  
1893,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by adding to said section the words, 'and make a return to the state treasurer of said lists and also of the number of dogs killed, as required by section seven of this act, on or before the fifteenth day of July following; and if any city or town shall fail to return to the state treasurer on or before September first of each year a sum of money equal to the license required by this act, on all dogs living on the first day of July preceding, such deficiency shall be added to the state tax of such delinquent city or town for the following year,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Invento-  
ries shall  
include  
lists of all  
dogs.

--return  
shall be  
made to  
state treas-  
urer.

--penalty,  
if town  
fails to  
make re-  
turn.

Section 2,  
amended.

'Sect. 1. Assessors of cities, towns and plantations shall include in their inventories, lists of all dogs owned by or in possession of any inhabitant on the first day of April, setting the number and sex thereof opposite the names of their respective owners or persons in whose possession the same are found, and make a return to the state treasurer of said lists and also of the number of dogs killed as required by section seven of this act, on or before the fifteenth day of July following; and if any city or town shall fail to return to the state treasurer on or before September first of each year, a sum of money equal to the license required by this act, on all dogs living on the first day of July preceding, such deficiency shall be added to the state tax of such delinquent city or town for the following year.'

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the words "ten dollars," and after the words "twenty dollars," where they appear in said section, the words, 'and fifteen cents,' so that said section shall read as follows:

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'Sect. 2. Every owner or keeper of a dog more than four months old shall annually, before the first day of April, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of April, in the office of the clerk of the city, town or plantation where said dog is kept, and shall keep around its neck a collar, distinctly marked with the owner's name and its registered number, and shall pay said clerk for a license the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents for each male dog and three dollars and fifteen cents for each female dog, and a person becoming the owner or keeper of a dog after the first day of April, not duly licensed, shall cause it to be duly registered, numbered, described and licensed as provided above. Every owner or keeper of dogs, kept for breeding purposes, may receive annually a special kennel license authorizing him to keep such dogs for said purpose. When the number of dogs so kept does not exceed ten, the fee for such license shall be ten dollars and fifteen cents; when the number of dogs so kept exceeds ten, the fee for such license shall be twenty dollars and fifteen cents, and no fee shall be required for the dogs of such owner or keeper under the age of six months. Dogs covered by the kennel license shall be excepted from the provisions, of this section requiring registration, numbering and collaring.'

Dogs shall be registered and licensed.

—collars.

—license fees.

—special kennel license.

—fees.

Sect. 3. Section fourteen of said chapter is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words, 'provided, however, that the amount to be refunded to such plantations as are taxed as wild land shall be paid direct to the plantation treasurer instead of being credited on state tax,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 14, amended.

'Sect. 14. All money received by the state treasurer as provided in section three of this act and remaining unexpended at the end of the year shall be credited to the several cities, towns and plantations upon their state tax in proportion to the amount each has paid into the treasury under the provisions of this act; provided, however, that the amount to be refunded to such plantations as are taxed as wild land shall be paid direct to the plantation treasurer instead of being credited on state tax.'

How money remaining unexpended in state treasury, shall be disposed of.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.