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state or country, the certificate may be made by a secretary of embassy or legation, consul general, consul, vice consul, or consular agent or by any officer in the foreign service of the United States stationed in the foreign state or country in which the record is kept, and authenticated by the seal of his office.

- Sec. 2. Proof of lack of record. A written statement signed by an officer having the custody of an official record, or by his deputy, that after diligent search no record or entry of a specified tenor is found to exist in the records of his office, accompanied by a certificate as above provided, is admissible as evidence that the records of his office contain no such record or entry.
- Sec. 3. Other proof. This statute shall not prevent the proof of official records or of entry or lack of entry therein by any method authorized by any applicable statute, or by the rules of evidence at common law.

Approved March 15, 1939.

Chapter 65

AN ACT Relating to Licenses for Dogs.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 158, amended. The 2nd and 5th paragraphs of section 158 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes, as amended, are hereby further amended to read as follows:

'A fee of \$\frac{1}{2} \text{ 90c}\$ shall be paid the city or town clerk for each license issued on male dogs, and a fee of \$\frac{5}{2} \text{ \$4.90}\$ shall be paid for all female dogs capable of bearing young. All female dogs shall be considered capable of producing young unless accompanied by a certificate is presented from a licensed veterinary stating that such female was made uncapable of bearing young by spaying. When such certificate accompanies the application, a fee of \$\frac{1}{2} \text{ 90c}\$ shall then be paid on such spayed females. In addition to the amount paid for license and metal tag each applicant shall-pay the city or town clerk \$\frac{1}{2} \text{ cents}\$ 25c for the recording and making a returns to the commissioner of agriculture.'

'Returns showing all licenses issued by city or town clerks together with a correct report showing the total number of dogs in "both sexes" found by the city or town assessors shall be made to the commissioner of agriculture not later than the 1st day of May July each year.'