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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## One Hundred and First Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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As Passed by the One Hundredth Legislature

At The

SPECIAL SESSION, November 27, 1961

to

December 2, 1961

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## Chapter 406

### AN ACT Repealing Powers of State Humane Agents to Issue Warrants in Dog Licensing Law.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 100, § 14, amended.** The first sentence of section 14 of chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 94 and by section 3 of chapter 181, both of the public laws of 1961, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**‘The municipal officers of each municipality shall annually within 10 days from the first day of June issue a warrant, returnable on July 15th following, to one or more police officers, constables or State Humane Agents, directing him or them to proceed forthwith to enter complaint and summons to court the owner or keeper of any unlicensed dog.’**

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 100, § 14, amended.** The first sentence of the 2nd paragraph of section 14 of chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 94 and by section 4 of chapter 181, both of the public laws of 1961, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**‘On July 15th the municipal officers of municipalities shall issue to one or more police officers, constables or State Humane Agents a warrant returnable on the first Monday of the following February, directing him or them to seek out, catch and confine all dogs within such municipality which are not licensed, collared and tagged or enclosed, as required by sections 9 to 28, and to enter complaint and summons to court the owner or keeper of any such dog.’**

Effective March 3, 1962

## Chapter 407

### AN ACT to Revise the Laws Relating to Commitment of the Mentally Ill.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, certain provisions of the mental commitment law, chapter 303 of the public laws of 1961 contain inconsistencies which are burdensome and which have given rise to uncertainties in their administration; and

Whereas, the proper administration of portions of the commitment law are threatened by such inconsistencies, burdens and uncertainties, possibly resulting in the ultimate breakdown of such portions of the law; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that such inconsistencies, burdens and uncertainties be resolved that the dire consequences of their presence in the law be avoided; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legis-