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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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Chapter 91

AN ACT Relating to Duties of Sheriffs in Enforcement of Dog Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 7, § 3702, amended. The first paragraph of section 3702 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 6 of chapter 193 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

The municipal officers of each municipality shall annually within the month of April issue a warrant, returnable on December 15th following, to one or more police officers ~~or~~, constables ~~or~~ sheriff, directing him or them to proceed forthwith to enter complaint and summons to court the owner or keeper of any unlicensed dog. The said police officer ~~or~~, constable ~~or~~ sheriff shall, before entering such complaint and obtaining said summons, call on the owner or keeper of said dog and demand that he conform with the law and pay the license fees due, and if the owner pays such license fees, he shall pay in addition thereto the officer's fee of \$3, which the officer shall retain and make return and pay over to the ~~city or town~~ municipal clerk the license fees received by him.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 7, § 3703, amended. The first sentence of section 3703 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 7 of chapter 494 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

Each police officer ~~or~~, constable ~~or~~ sheriff, to whom the warrants named in section 3702 are issued shall return the same at the time specified.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 7, § 3704, amended. Section 3704 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 17 of chapter 513 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 3704. Official refusal or neglect of duty

Any mayor, selectman, clerk, constable ~~or~~, police officer ~~or~~ sheriff who refuses or willfully neglects to perform the duties imposed by sections 3401 to 3403, 3451, 3452, 3651 to 3653 and 3701 to 3703 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50, and costs.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 92

AN ACT to Permit Reapportionment of School Directors in a School Administrative District by Request.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 303, amended. The first sentence of section 303 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

~~Within one year after the official United States census statistics have been reported, or when~~ When requested by 10% of the number of voters voting for the gubernatorial candidates at the last state-wide election in the municipalities comprising the district, the board of school directors of each School Administrative District shall give at least 15 days' notice to each municipality comprising the School Administrative District of a meeting to determine the necessity of reapportionment of representation to the board of school directors.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 93

AN ACT Relating to Ballots Cast by Presidential Electors.

Director's note: Repealed by 1969 Public Laws, Chapter 504, section 34-A.

See 1969 Public Laws, Chapter 131, section 2.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 94

AN ACT Relating to Age of Dogs for Licensing Purposes.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 7, § 3451, amended. The first paragraph of section 3451 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 193 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Each owner or keeper of a dog at the age of 6 months or over, except dogs kept under a kennel license as provided in this section, shall, on or before January 1st, annually, or at such time as such dog becomes 6 months old, cause such dog to be licensed in the municipal clerk's office in the town where such dog is kept. Such license shall state the breed, sex, color and markings of such dogs and the name and address of the owner or keeper.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 7, § 3451, amended. The 9th paragraph of section 3451 of Title 7 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 4 of chapter 193 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

When the number of dogs so kept does not exceed 10, the fee for such license shall be \$10 and in addition 50¢ for each license as a fee for recording and making the return required by law; when the number of dogs so kept exceeds 10, the fee for such license shall be \$20 and in addition 50¢ for each such license as a fee for recording and making the return required by law ~~and no fees shall be required for dogs of such license under the age of 4 months.~~ Dogs covered by kennel license shall be furnished suitable kennel tags as prescribed by the commissioner or his agent and shall not be required to be individually licensed.