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or for any other purpose in which said vertebrates are experimentally medicated or drugged in a manner to cause painful reactions or to induce painful or lethal pathological conditions. No live vertebrate shall be used as part of a scientific experiment or for any other purpose in grades kindergarten through 8 in which said vertebrates are injured through any other type of treatment, including but not limited to anesthetization or electric shock. These provisions shall also apply to any activity associated with or sponsored by the school system.

- 2. Use of animals in secondary schools. No school principal or headmaster shall allow any live mammal, bird or chelonian, excepting bird eggs, to be used in any scientific experiment or for any other purpose in grades 9 through 12 in which said mammals, birds or chelonians are subjected to treatment and conditions prohibited in subsection 1. These provisions shall also apply to any activity associated with or sponsored by the school system.
- 3. Treatment of animals in general, in grades kindergarten through 12. Live animals used as class pets or for purposes not prohibited in section 1055, subsections 1 and 2 in grades kindergarten through 12 shall be housed and cared for in a safe and humane manner. Said animals shall not remain in school over periods when such schools are not in session, unless adequate care is provided at all times.
- 4. Standards of treatment. Any animal, whose use is permitted under this section, shall be treated in accordance with a set of ethical and humane standards to be promulgated by the Commissioner of Agriculture, Division of Animal Welfare after the consultation with representative groups in the State having an interest or expertise in the field of animal welfare, biology and education.
- 5. Enforcement. Enforcement shall be the responsibility of the Commissioner of Agriculture in consultation with the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services.
- 6. Penalty for violation. Whoever violates this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$75.

Effective October 1, 1975

CHAPTER 156

AN ACT to Abolish Certain Filing Requirements for Out-of-State Nurserymen and Dealers Doing Business with this State.

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

7 MRSA § 2204, 2nd sentence is amended to read:

Nurserymen, dealers or other persons residing or doing business outside of the State, desiring to solicit orders for nursery stock through agents in this State shall file a certified copy of their original state certificate with the State Horticulturist, and shall keep on file with the State Horticulturist a list of agents and representatives in the State.