

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN

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H.P. 479 - L.D. 687

**An Act To Amend the Law Concerning Protection from Abuse Orders To  
Include Pets**

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

**Sec. 1. 19-A MRSA §4006, sub-§5-A** is enacted to read:

**5-A. Interim relief; care, custody or control of animals.** The court may make an order concerning the care, custody or control of any animal owned, possessed, leased, kept or held by either party or a minor child residing in the household and may enjoin the defendant from injuring or threatening to injure any such animal.

**Sec. 2. 19-A MRSA §4007, sub-§1, ¶E-1** is enacted to read:

**E-1. Directing the defendant to refrain from injuring or threatening to injure any animal owned, possessed, leased, kept or held by either party or a minor child residing in the household;**