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**STATE OF MAINE**  
**SENATE**  
**130TH LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to S.P. 599, L.D. 1744, “An Act To Increase Funding for the Animal Welfare Fund by Increasing Certain Fees”

Amend the amendment by inserting after title the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §714, sub-§2,** as repealed and replaced by PL 2001, c. 422, §2, is amended to read:

**2. Fees.** The commissioner shall deposit ~~1/2~~ 20% of the fees collected pursuant to subsection 1 in the General Fund and ~~1/2~~ 80% of the fees collected in the Animal Welfare Fund established under section 3906-B.'

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 2 in the 4th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~1/2 of~~" and inserting the following: '1/2 80% of

Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 2 in the 4th line (page 1, line 12 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "and" the following: 'all '

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 6 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 6. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF**  
**Animal Welfare Fund 0946**

Initiative: Provides allocation to accommodate higher existing expenses and for an increase in the daily compensation rate paid to animal shelters holding animals pending court decisions.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
All Other	\$0	\$335,232
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$335,232</b>

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

1 Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or  
2 section number to read consecutively.

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This amendment changes the amount of fees collected from registrations to distribute  
5 commercial feed in the State that is deposited in the Animal Welfare Fund from 100% to  
6 80%, with 20% deposited in the General Fund. It makes a technical change to clarify that  
7 the amendment is not intending to change the amount of surcharges on pet food currently  
8 deposited into the fund in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 714,  
9 subsection 4 and section 3906-B, subsection 2.

10 **SPONSORED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

11 **(Senator DILL, J.)**

12 **COUNTY: Penobscot**