

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 801

Approved by the Governor February 3, 1988

Introduced by Labedz, 5, Chairperson, Executive Board

AN ACT relating to dogs; to amend sections 54-610, 54-611, and 54-613, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to eliminate references to repealed sections; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 54-610, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

54-610. In counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more inhabitants, whenever complaints are made to the poundmaster or the person or corporation performing the duties of poundmaster that a dog is at large or doing damage to public or private property, it shall be the duty of such poundmaster, person, or corporation to investigate such complaint forthwith. If upon such investigation it appears that the complaint is founded upon facts, it shall be the duty of such poundmaster, person, or corporation to take such dog into custody forthwith and file or cause to be filed a complaint in the county court against such person, persons, firm, partnership, or corporation owning, keeping, or harboring such dog, charging a violation of sections 54-601 and 54-608 to 54-612 54-611.

Sec. 2. That section 54-611, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

54-611. In counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more inhabitants, if upon final hearing, the defendant is adjudged guilty of a any violation of any of the provisions of sections 54-601 and 54-608 to 54-612 54-610, the court may, in addition to the penalty provided in sections 54-601 and 54-608 to section 54-613, order such disposition of the offending dog as may seem reasonable and proper.

Sec. 3. That section 54-613, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

54-613. In counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more inhabitants, any

person in violation of sections 54-601 and 54-608 to ~~54-612~~, 54-611 shall be deemed guilty of a Class V misdemeanor and in addition shall be fined not less than the amount of the damage committed, nor more than double the amount of such damage.

Sec. 4. That original sections 54-610, 54-611, and 54-613, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, are repealed.