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## **Resolve, To Encourage Reciprocity between Maine and New Hampshire in the Reporting of Rabies Vaccinations by Veterinarians**

**Sec. 1 Reciprocity. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources shall invite the Commissioner of Agriculture, Markets and Food of New Hampshire to jointly develop a reciprocity agreement regarding the vaccination of dogs against rabies. Under the reciprocity agreement, if a veterinarian from one state vaccinates against rabies a dog that is owned by a person who lives in the other state, the veterinarian shall send to the department of agriculture in the other state a rabies certificate for that dog in the manner now required for veterinarians in this State to send a rabies vaccination certificate to the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 3916, subsection 2-A.

### **SUMMARY**

This resolve directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to enter into a reciprocity agreement with the Commissioner of Agriculture, Markets and Food of New Hampshire to require a veterinarian from one state to send a rabies vaccination certificate to the department of agriculture in the other state if the veterinarian vaccinates against rabies a dog that is owned by a person living in the other state.