



## ANALYSIS

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 1962, No. 64

**An Act to amend the Dogs Registration Act 1955**
*[6 December 1962]*

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

**1. Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Dogs Registration Amendment Act 1962, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Dogs Registration Act 1955 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

**2. Impounding of dogs**—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 30, the following section:

“30A. (1) Notwithstanding anything in section 15 or section 30 of this Act, a local authority may from time to time make bylaws providing for the impounding of dogs not wearing a collar having the proper registration label thereon found at large in any public place as defined in the bylaws or of dogs found at large in breach of any bylaw made by the local authority under this Act or any other Act.

“(2) Any bylaw made under this section may provide for payment by the owner of any dog impounded pursuant to the bylaw of reasonable fees for sustenance of the dog, for giving notice to the owner of the impounding, and of a poundage fee not exceeding one pound.

“(3) If any dog impounded pursuant to any bylaw made under this section is not claimed and all fees are not paid by the owner—

“(a) Within seven days after he has been personally notified of the impounding; or

“(b) In any case where he is unknown to the local authority or cannot be found, within twenty-one days after the publication by the local authority of a notice in a newspaper circulating in the locality that the dog will be destroyed or sold after the expiration of that period unless before the expiration of that period the dog is claimed and all fees are paid by the owner,—

the dog may be destroyed or sold to any person by or on behalf of the local authority, and that person shall thereupon become the owner of the dog:

“Provided that the person who was the owner of the dog before it was destroyed or sold shall not thereby be relieved of liability for any penalty or for payment of any fees payable under the bylaw.

“(4) All fees payable under any bylaw made under this section and the proceeds of the sale of any dog sold under this section shall be paid into and form part of the ordinary general funds of the local authority.”

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This Act is administered in the Department of Internal Affairs.