

**§143-12 Seizure and disposal of diseased dogs; penalty.** Any police officer or animal control officer may seize and, after notice to the owner if the owner can be found, may kill any dog running at large which is so obviously diseased as to be a menace to the health of persons or animals.

Any owner of any dog so diseased, who recovers the dog from the police officer or animal control officer, after notice as aforesaid, and does not furnish forthwith suitable medical treatment and care for, or destroy, the diseased dog, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. [L 1937, c 217, §§1, 2; RL 1945, §7161; RL 1955, §156-12; HRS §143-12; am L 1983, c 227, §9; gen ch 1985]

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