

a fine of not exceeding ten dollars, or imprisonment for not more than thirty days.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, Whoever suffers loss by the worrying, maiming or killing of sheep, lambs, fowls or other domestic animals by dogs outside of the enclosure of the owners or keepers of such dogs, may inform the justice of the peace for the district wherein the damage was done, who shall proceed to the premises where the damage was done and determine whether the same was inflicted by dogs, and, if so, appraise the amount thereof if it does not exceed twenty dollars, if in the opinion of said officers the amount of said damages exceeds twenty dollars, he shall appoint one disinterested person, and the person damaged shall appoint one disinterested person who with the said officer shall appraise under oath the amount thereof. The said officer shall return a certificate of the damages found to the treasurer of the county in which the damage is done within ten days after such appraisal is made. The treasurer shall thereupon submit the same to the County Commissioners, who within thirty days shall examine all such bills, and if any doubt exists, may summon the appraisers and all parties interested and make such examination as they think proper, and shall issue an order upon the treasurer of the county in which the damage was done for such amount, if any, as they decide to be just, the treasurer shall pay all orders drawn upon him for the above purposes in full on or after the first day of January each year if the amount in his hands standing to the credit of the dog license fund is sufficient thereof otherwise he shall pay such amount pro rata upon such orders in full discharge thereof on demand. The appraisers shall receive from the county treasury out of the money received under the provisions of this chapter relating to dogs, one dollar each for every such examination made by them, and the justice of the peace acting in the case shall receive in addition twenty cents per mile one way for his necessary travel.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the County Commissioners may offer a reward of not more than ten dollars for the killing of any dog found to have worried, maimed or killed sheep, lambs, fowls or other domestic animals, thereby causing damages for which the owner may become entitled to compensation from the dog license funds as provided for in the preceding section, or for evidence which shall determine to the satisfaction of the County Commissioners who is the owner or keeper of the dog by which the damage was done. The County Commissioners are authorized to have the treasurer pay the said reward from the dog license fund.