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ANALYSIS.

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| Title.<br>1. Short Title. | 2. Unnecessary to shew mischievous propensity.<br>3. Provincial Ordinances not to be affected. |
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A BILL INTITLED

**AN ACT to amend the Law relating to the Title  
remedy for injuries done by Dogs to  
Persons and to Sheep and other  
Animals.**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament Assembled and by the authority of the same as follows—

I. The Short Title of this Act shall be “The Injuries by Dogs Act Short Title  
1865.”

II. The owner of every dog shall be liable in damages for injury In actions for damages for injuries by dogs not necessary to show mischievous propensity.  
done to any sheep by his dog and if any dog shall in any public place  
in the Colony rush at bite or attack any person or shall in any such  
place rush at bite or attack any horse or bullock whereby any personal  
injury is done to any person or whereby any property shall be injured  
the owner of such dog shall be liable in damages for any injury such  
dog may have done or occasioned to such person or property and it  
shall not be necessary in any such case as aforesaid either of injury  
done to sheep or injury done or occasioned to persons or property for  
the party seeking damages to shew a previous mischievous propensity  
in such dog or the owner's knowledge of such mischievous propensity  
or that the injury was attributable to neglect on the part of the owners  
of the dog.

III. This Act shall not in any way repeal or affect any Act or Provincial Ordinances not to be affected.  
Ordinance made or passed by any Provincial Council in New Zealand  
unless the same be clearly and directly repugnant hereto or inconsistent  
herewith and any penalties that may be imposed by any such Acts or  
Ordinances on owners of dogs for injuries done or caused by their dogs  
shall be paid notwithstanding anything in this Act contained the  
intent of this Act only being to provide a better remedy for private  
injury.