Desertion of Child, When Not Included in Charge. Abandonment of Child, by Parents. Parent, Abandonment of Child by. Statute, Construction of. Child, Abandonment of.

Desertion is not included within the meaning of the provisions of Section 1, Chapter 86, Session Laws of 1915.

Helena, Montana, October 15, 1915.

Hon. M. L. Rickman,

Secretary Bureau Child and Animal Protection,

Helena, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant, submitting the question as to whether:

desertion is included within the meaning of the provisions of Section 1 of Chapter 86 of the Session Laws of 1915?

Neither the title to said Chapter 86, nor the provisions of Section 1 thereof, are broad enough to include cases of desertion. Desertion may possibly be incidentally considered, but is not of the substance of the charge.

Yours very truly,

J. B. POINDEXTER,

Attorney General.