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## ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
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#### STATE OF MAINE

## ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
BILL SUMMARY



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## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES LEGISLATION 111th Legislature, Second Regular Session

LD TITLE

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(COMMITTEE REPORT)
DISPOSITION

#### BILLS ENACTED

1867 AN ACT CONCERNING THE OPEN BURNING OF LEAVES AND BRUSH

Racine

PL 1983, c. 703

SUMMARY: The minority OTP report was accepted instead of the majority OTP-ND (LD2142). A Senate amendment (S-302) and two House Amendments (H-508 and H-555) were adopted.

The bill as enacted prohibits open burning of leaves etc. when the municipality prohibits it by ordinance. Previously the law prohibited open burning of leaves etc. where municipally supported trash collection is available, but allowed it elsewhere.

1891 AN ACT TO IDENTIFY POLYCHLORI- Pearson
NATED BIPHENYLS AS HAZARDOUS
WASTE

PL 1983, c. 666

SUMMARY: Maine law permits the Board of Enviornmental Protection to identify by rule as hazardous waste substances not so identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. BEP rules which identify such hazardous waste must be approved by the Legislature. This bill, as amended by the Committee, adds polychlorinated biphenyles (PCBs) to the list of Maine hazardous wastes in accordance with this statutory process.

1930 AN ACT TO DELAY EMPLOYERS'
FILING DEADLINES UNDER THE
CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION LAW

Cashman

PL 1983, c. 591 (EMERGENCY)

SUMMARY: This bill delayed until February 15, 1984 the requirement, enacted in the 1st Regular Session, that employers report to the Bureau of Labor Standards on hazardous chemicals existing in their workplaces.