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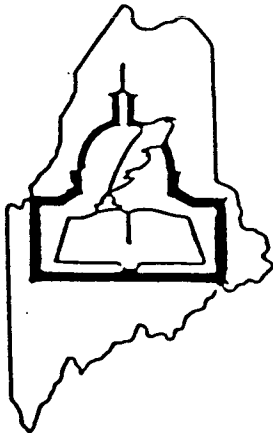
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "CA" if it is a committee amendment. If the amendment was adopted in the House, the letter H appears after the sponsor. If it was adopted in the Senate, the letter S appears.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-AM	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTF	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD AN ACT TO IMPROVE ENFORCEMENT OF THE POTATO
1722 BRANDING LAW

PL 1985
c. 655

Sponsor: ERWIN, E., Tardy, Ayer, Smith, C.W.
Committee Report: OTP-AM

S-431 CA H S

SUMMARY: The purpose of this law is to provide an effective means of enforcing the potato branding law by making it a separate civil offense to interfere with inspections of potatoes by the State for quality control. An amendment (S-431) reinstates a sentence in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 952, of the branding law, adding a qualifying phrase which stipulates clearly that the sentence applies to section 952 only. In addition, a new subsection is added to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 957, to allow a packer knowing potatoes to be out of grade to hold them for repacking, provided that the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources is notified and that the potatoes are inspected prior to shipment. Under these circumstances, the lot of potatoes involved will be segregated, but will not be subject to inspection under the branding law until reworked and regraded.

LD AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A RESEARCH PROGRAM ON THE
1725 AGRICULTURAL UTILIZATION OF INDUSTRIAL WASTE
PRODUCTS

LVWD

Sponsor: AYER, Mitchell, Black, McGowan
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill would have established a research program to allow for expanded use of industrial waste products in agriculture.

LD AN ACT REVISING THE MANDATORY VACCINATION
1726 REQUIREMENT FOR LIVESTOCK

ND LD 1991

Sponsor: DAGGETT, Michael, Tardy, Black
Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See LD 1991.