

## STATE OF MAINE

## ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

#### UTILITIES

# BILL SUMMARY



MAY 1986

## PREPARED BY:

Haven Whiteside, Policy Analyst

OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS STATE HOUSE, STATION 13 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333 (207) 289-1670



**HELEN T. GINDER, DIRECTOR** GILBERT W. BREWER DAVID C. ELLIOTT MARTHA E. FREEMAN JERI B. GAUTSCHI CHRISTOS GIANOPOULOS WILLIAM T. GLIDDEN, JR.

STATE OF MAINE HAVEN WHITESIDE, ASST. DIRECTOR OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS ROOM 101/107 STATE HOUSE STATION 13 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333 TEL.: (207) 289-1670

JULIE S. JONES JOHN B. KNOX EDWARD POTTER **MARGARET J. REINSCH** LARS H. RYDELL JOHN R. SELSER ANDREA L. COLNES, RES. ASST.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

> JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES MAY 1986

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
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD AN ACT TO CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER AND INCREASE 2365 THE DEBT LIMIT OF THE DOVER AND FOXCROFT WATER DISTRICT P&SL 1985 c. 107 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: LAW Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1672

SUMMARY: The new draft consolidates and reenacts the existing charter of the Dover and Foxcroft Water District, which is now scattered through at least 16 Private and Special Laws, dating back to 1863. It continues the existing tax exemption for the corporate property of the The new draft also carries out the intent of the district. original bill by removing the debt limit of the district and substituting standard language requiring a public process for issuance of debt in excess of \$150,000 and, except for indebtedness to fund projects mandated by the State Government or Federal Government, indebtedness in anticipation of receipt of approved grants and short-term indebtedness in anticipation of revenues, providing for referendum approval of the debt by the members of the district if the greater of 50 members or 5% request a vote on issuance of the debt.

The new draft further clarifies the provisions and procedures for borrowing and clarifies procedures for meetings of members and election by members of the trustees.