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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
MAY 1988**

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. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action is listed to the right of the title. If final House and Senate action differ, both are listed. Committee Reports and Floor Action are indicated as follows::

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

Each individual summary was prepared by the analyst assigned, as noted for each committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including Secretaries: Charlene Brann, Janet Jean, Earl Knox, Valarie Parlin; Research Assistant Hartley Palleschi. Finally, Secretary Laurette Knox, Legal Assistant Carolyn Chick, and Research Assistant Robert Dunn had special responsibilities in the preparation of the overall document.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES

LD An Act to Incorporate the Pembroke Utilities District
671

ND 2294

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
MOHOLLAND RANDALL THERIAULT TAMMARO	OTP-ND		

SUMMARY
Replaced By LD 2294

LD An Act Establishing the Maine-Canada Energy Cooperation Act ND 2553
729

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
PRAY WEYMOUTH PERKINS MARTIN J	OTP-ND-NT ONTP	MAJ MIN	

SUMMARY
Replaced By LD 2553

Carried over from First Regular Session.

Although presented in the context of the proposed purchase of Hydro-Quebec power by Central Maine Power Co., the bill applies to all purchases of Canadian power.

This bill addresses purchases of Canadian electricity by making legislative findings that such purchases are consistent with the public policies of the State. Special regulatory provisions are included, as follows: If the Public Utilities Commission grants a certificate of public convenience and necessity, the utility would be guaranteed full recovery of costs of the power purchased; the PUC would establish by rule a purchased power cost adjustment clause which would be similar to the existing fuel adjustment clause allowing automatic pass through to the ratepayers; the utility would be guaranteed full recovery of reasonable costs for construction and maintenance of the transmission facilities; and action on environmental permits would be required within 105 days.