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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. 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 if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

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

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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-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD 860 AN ACT RELATING TO TERMS OF OFFICE FOR TRUSTEES OF THE KENNEBEC WATER DISTRICT ND LD 1638

Sponsor: CARTER, Parent, Bragg, Jacques,
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1638

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1638.

LD 956 AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE BATH WATER DISTRICT P&SL 1987 c. 27

Sponsor: CAHILL, Small, Holt,
Committee Report: OTP-A
Amendments Adopted:
S-56 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: The bill adds a payment from the Bath Water District to the Town of Woolwich of the greater of \$2000 or \$3.11 per million gallons of water. The District obtains their water from Lake Neguasset in Woolwich, but Woolwich is not a member of the District. The District has a pumping station at the lake, valued at \$142,000, and land valued at \$192,000 but its property is tax exempt.

At present the Bath Water District makes an annual payment of \$500 to the Town of Woolwich. The amendment increases it to \$2,500. The district, uses Lake Neguasset in Woolwich as a water supply, but Woolwich is not a member of the district.

LD 992 AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF ANTIBACKFLOW DEVICES ON PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS LVWD

Sponsor: BALDACCI,
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: Present law authorizes the Department of Human Services to adopt rules governing cross connections that may introduce contamination in water systems. The department, in the Code of Maine Rules 10-144A, chapter 226 has promulgated rules requiring any suppliers serving a population of 1,000 or more people or which had an industrial account to have a cross-connection program approved by the department.

This bill provides an avenue of appeal, to the Commissioner of Human Services, for persons required by a public water system to install antibackflow devices.