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ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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

Sponsor: RIDLEY, Michaud, Jacques Committee Report: New Draft of LD 151

SUMMARY: The original bill proposed a variety of major changes to the Department of Environmental Protection including:

- 1. Making the commissioner an ex-officio member and chairman of the Board of Environmental Protection,
- 2. Subjecting all departmental rules to legislative review and enactment,
- Requiring that all departmental policies be adopted through rule-making, and
- 4. Requiring that an "objective" project summary without staff recommendations be given to the board prior to board decisions.

The new draft deleted all the proposed changes and instead, substituted a provision that allows a source of sulfur dioxide air pollution to exceed the ambient air quality standards for sulfur dioxide once per year.

LD 1675

AN ACT RELATING TO THE TERM OF AIR EMISSION LICENSES.

PL 1987 c. 279

Sponsor: HOLLOWAY

Committee Report: New Draft of LD 184

SUMMARY: The original bill set a statutory term of five years for all air emissions licenses. The new draft modified this to allow the Board of Environmental Protection to set shorter terms for air emissions licenses for waste incinerators, sources using innovative control technologies and for new sources of air pollution.