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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.

LD An Act to Develop a Plan to Minimize and Dispose of 2532 Household Hazardous Waste

PUBLIC 825 EMERGENCY

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED H-508 MICHAUD

COLES MATTHEWS Z HOLLOWAY MICHAUD

SUMMARY

New Draft Of LD 2182

The original bill, LD 2182, directed the Department of Environmental Protection to submit a plan to the Legislature for minimizing generation of household hazardous waste while providing for its collection and disposal. No funding was provided. The committee amendment coordinates this household hazardous waste planning with a similar study authorized by the Legislature in PL 1987, c. 491 for small quantity generators of hazardous waste. The new title and new draft reflect this change, make the study deadlines compatible and also provide funding for a pilot scale collection and disposal program for household hazardous waste. Amendment H-508 eliminated an unnecessary permanent position count from the appropriation.

LD An Act to Provide Regulatory Oversight of Over-the-Road and PUBLIC

2533 Over-the-Rail Transportation of Hazardous Materials and to 750

Increase Revenue to the Maine Hazardous Waste Fund and the

Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-Up Fund

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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OTP-AM

S-426

DEXTER

USHER

S-435 USHER

SUMMARY

The original bill would have established a licensing program for the over-the-road transportation of certain hazardous materials and establishes a fee system on rail transportation of hazardous materials to increase the revenue to the Maine Hazardous Waste Fund. The bill also would have established a fee on oil tank trucks. Currently, a fee is assessed on other oil shipments from or into the State through ship-to-shore transfers. Finally, the original bill would have eliminated the cap on the Hazardous Waste Fund.

The committee amendment retains most of the original bill and makes a variety of technical corrections; shifts the fees on oil trucks from a vehicle license fee to a per barrel or per gallon fee; and shifts the rail fees from a fixed annual fee to a per ton fee. The amendment also added allocation sections.

A Senate amendment (S-435) corrects a technical error to eliminate potential double billing for oil and rail transporters.

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