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**BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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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 volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H - 584 or S - 222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
P&S XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law</i>
RESOLVE XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i>
CON RES XXX	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
EMERGENCY	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
CARRIED OVER	<i>Bill carried over to 2nd Session</i>
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	<i>Bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
ONTP	<i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i>
LVWD	<i>Leave to Withdraw report accepted</i>
INDEF PP	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	<i>House & Senate disagree; bill died</i>
VETO SUSTAINED	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>
UNSIGNED	<i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i>
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	<i>Action incomplete when 1st session ended</i>

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

LD 721 An Act to Provide Assistance to Small Business Owners of LV/WD
Underground Oil Storage Tanks

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
TITCOMB JACQUES	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would have limited the eligibility for coverage of 3rd-party damage costs from the Ground Water Oil Clean-up Fund to applicants who own or lease 3 or fewer underground oil storage facilities.

LD 724 An Act to Require State Review of Chemical Spill Clean-up PUBLIC 208
Plans **EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
GWADOSKY JACQUES MARSH	OTP-AM	H-219

SUMMARY

Current Department of Environmental Protection rules require reporting of discharges of hazardous matter in any quantity unless the discharge is subject to a Spill Prevention, Control and Clean-up, SPCC, plan that has been approved by the department, in which case the discharge must be reported only if it exceeds applicable reportable quantities. This bill would have enacted into law the department's existing regulatory hazardous matter reporting requirements and added the requirement for the department to review SPCC plans and, if not approvable, notify the submitter of the plan why the plan is deficient.

The committee amendment (H-219) replaces the original bill and establishes minimum requirements for spill prevention control and clean-up plans and requires reporting of discharges in excess of minimum reportable quantities. Chemical discharges that can be addressed by implementing the clean-up plan and that are less than the reportable quantity are not subject to reporting under this amendment.

LD 726 An Act to Amend the Growth Management Program Laws LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
KANY	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would have amended the current local growth management program laws to provide opportunities for municipalities to meet the goals of the growth management programs without geographical delineations. This bill also would have authorized municipalities to prepare growth management programs ahead of the priority list established by law.