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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

MAY 1992

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 far right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX
P&S XXX
RESOLVE XXX
CON RES XXX
EMERGENCY
CARRIED OVER
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT
DIED BETWEEN BODIES
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
VETO SUSTAINED
UNSIGNED
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law
Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
Chapter # of enacted Resolve
Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
Bill carried over to Special Session
Ought Not to Pass report accepted
Leave to Withdraw report accepted
Bill Indefinitely Postponed
Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
House and Senate disagree; bill died
Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree
Legislature filed to override Governor's Veto
Not signed by Governor within 10 days
Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

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, especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

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

Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

An Act Prohibiting the Driving or Parking of Vehicles on LD 543

ONTP

Ice-covered Bodies of Water

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BUSTIN

ONTP

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have prohibited any person from driving or parking a motor vehicle on an ice-covered body of water.

LD 1051

An Act to Require the Department of Environmental Protection to Perform a Cost and Benefit Analysis of Permit

ONTP

Applications

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

LORD

ANDERSON GOULD R A

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the Department of Environmental Protection to consider economic factors when making environmental permitting decisions.

LD 1191

An Act to Facilitate the Adoption of a Maine Wellhead Protection Program for the Protection of Public Water System Wellheads

P & S 77 **EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-543

KANY **JACQUES**

TITCOMB

HOGLUND

SUMMARY

This bill was carried over from the first session of the 115th Legislature. It proposed to amend the ground water protection laws to conform with the Maine ground water management strategy, to implement a Maine Wellhead Protection Program as required by the 1986 Amendments to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act and to modify the currently unused ground water classification system.

The Maine Wellhead Protection Program would have delineated recharge areas of public water system wellheads, identified potential threats to ground water within the delineated areas, created local management programs for those potential threats and develop contingency plans for emergencies and for future needs. The ground water classification system would have classified and protected public and significant private community ground water supplies.

The amendment replaces the original bill to require the Department of Human Services, Division of Health Engineering to report to the Legislature on the components and requirements of the Maine Wellhead Protection Program required under federal law. The department is also required to introduce legislation to implement that program and is required to work with affected and interested parties in developing this program. The amendment also adds a fiscal note and amends the emergency preamble.