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

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

Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

LD 543 **An Act Prohibiting the Driving or Parking of Vehicles on Ice-covered Bodies of Water** ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
BUSTIN

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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 Applications** ONTP

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GOULD R A

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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

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COMMITTEE REPORT
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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-543

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.