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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

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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	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 C	Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
EMERGENCY	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
CARRIED OVER	Bill carried over to 2nd Session
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	Bill failed to get 2/3 vote
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass report accepted
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw report accepted
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto
UNSIGNED	Not signed by Governor within 10 days
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	Action incomplete when 1st session ended

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

LD 1230 An Act to Clarify the Definition of Beverage

SPONSOR(S)COMMITTEE REPORTAMENDMENTS ADOPTEDCLEVELANDONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have exempted spring water and non-carbonated water from the provisions of the returnable beverage container laws.

LD 1256 An Act Concerning the Packaging of Soymilk and Flavored Milk PUBLIC 304

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
RUHLIN	OTP-AM	H–341
CONSTANTINE		
MARSANO		
BALDACCI		

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended by committee amendment "A" (H-341), exempts unflavored soy beverages from the ban on aseptic packaging which was enacted in 1989. The amendment also extends the ban on aseptic packaging of beverages to include flavored milk and soy beverages. The amendment also adds a minor fiscal note.

LD 1264 An Act Concerning Special Waste Landfills

PUBLIC 243 EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
DUTREMBLE D	OTP-AM	S-124
WENTWORTH		S-132 DUTREMBLE D
PEARSON		
MORRISON		

SUMMARY

The original bill would have established a 2-year moratorium on the siting and development of special waste landfills by the Maine Waste Management Agency. During the moratorium, the Maine Waste Management Agency was to review and analyze issues relating to disposal of special waste in solid waste landfills. The bill also would have required that, after the moratorium, any siting of a solid waste landfill for disposal of special waste, which includes incineration ash, asbestos and oil, must be approved by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Committee amendment "A" (S-124) replaces the bill with an 8 month extension of the initial site screening process followed by a 6 month extension of the initial site development deadline. The committee amendment also requires the Maine Waste Management Agency to hold additional public meetings during the site screening and selection process and appropriates additional funds to support that activity. A floor amendment (S-132) eliminates a requirement for the agency to include a discussion of risks and risk management options during the additional meetings. The floor amendment also eliminates the appropriation.