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**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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AUGUST 1991**

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.

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
HOLLOWAY	OTP	H-487
HEINO		
RYDELL		

SUMMARY

This bill amends the laws pertaining to the labeling of imitation seafood by requiring sellers of imitation seafood to post signs if the product does not have on its package an indication that the product is imitation.

House Amendment "A" (H-487) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 1673 An Act to Increase Fees for Licenses Issued by the Department of Marine Resources

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
HEINO	OTP-AM MAJ	H-567 MAJ REP
SKOGLUND	ONTP MIN	H-669 MITCHELL J
VOSE		
GOULD R R		

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to increase fees for licenses issued by the Department of Marine Resources and to require licenses for handfishing for sea urchins and for using a boat for dragging for sea urchins. Undedicated revenue derived from these fees would have been appropriated to the Department of Marine Resources, Bureau of Marine Patrol to retain 11 existing filled Marine Patrol Officer positions proposed for elimination in the fiscal year 1992-93 budget and to reestablish 7 Marine Patrol Officer positions abolished in the fiscal year 1990-91 budget. One of the reestablished Marine Patrol Officer positions is established as a Marine Patrol Specialist position to be assigned as skipper of an existing 35-foot patrol craft.

The substance of this bill was incorporated into the budget bill, PL 1991, c. 591. The lobster and crab license fees were later amended by LD 1983 (PL 1991, c. 617).

LD 1719 An Act to Amend the Law Regarding the Portland Board of Harbor Commissioners

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
GILL	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to reduce the number of members on the Portland Harbor Commission from 7 to 5. The bill also proposed to require the commission to adopt rules requiring service fees and to amend the definition of "unit of wharf space." The bill also would have required the commission to present proposed rules to the City Managers of Portland and South Portland, and would have specifically permitted wharf and marina owners to assist the harbor master in the collection of service fees.