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115TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION
AND
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
AND
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
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.

**LD 1887 Resolve, to Override a Departmental Rule Imposing Certain
ASHRAE Standards on Local School Districts**

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
FOSS REED G MACBRIDE FOSTER		

SUMMARY

This resolve would have overruled a departmental rule that imposes ASHRAE air quality and ventilation standards on new public school construction. This resolve was carried over to the second session of the Legislature.

**LD 1889 An Act to Establish the Maine Committee on Aging within the
Department of Human Services and to Establish the Office of
the Long-term Care Ombudsman as an Independent Entity**

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
FOSS GILL	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill would have established the Maine Committee on Aging within the Department of Human Services and the Office of the Long-term Care Ombudsman as an independent entity.

**LD 1894 An Act to Alter the Composition of the Commission on
Governmental Ethics and Election Practices**

**DIED BETWEEN
BODIES**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WEBSTER	ONTP MAJ OTP MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill would have increased the number of members on the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices from 7 to 8 and restructured the process for appointments to the commission.

**LD 1915 An Act to Reorganize the Management and Regulatory Functions
of State Government Pertaining to Natural Resources**

**DIED BETWEEN
BODIES**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PRAY GWADOSKY LARRIVEE BERUBE	ONTP MAJ OTP-AM MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill would have created a new Department of Natural Resources. The new department consolidated those portions of State Government that exercise regulatory and management jurisdiction over the State's natural resources. The purpose of this consolidation was to ensure integrated natural resource policy development and implementation and realize significant efficiencies in both human and financial resources.