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## STATE OF MAINE 115TH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**MAY 1992** 

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# 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.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-871) requires the Department of Transportation to develop by December 1, 1992, a program to provide financial assistance to utilities that have experienced serious financial hardship as a result of having to relocate their facilities to accommodate DOT construction projects. The department will submit the program including necessary legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation for its consideration.

## LD 1506 An Act to Amend the Farm Truck Registration Laws

ONTP

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**COMMITTEE REPORT** 

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

PINES

**MAHANY** 

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill extends the registration schedule for farm motor trucks from a maximum gross weight of 54,000 to 69,000 pounds, thus allowing tri-axle trucks used primarily for the transportation of agricultural commodities, supplies or equipment to be registered as farm motor trucks rather than commercial vehicles. The bill also permits vehicles transporting farm produce to travel over ways that are closed to heavy vehicles.

## LD 1555 An Act to Establish Title for Snowmobiles and All-terrain

ONTP

Vehicles

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COMMITTEE REPORT

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

MITCHELL J

CLARK N

ONTP

#### SUMMARY

This bill establishes a program for titling snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles effective beginning in model year 1992. This program will be administered by the Secretary of State.

# LD 2026 An Act to Amend the Charter of the Casco Bay Island Transit District

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RAND

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-908

ADAMS

BRANNIGAN

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill allows the Board of Directors of the Casco Bay Island Transit District to fill a vacancy on the board by appointment for the remainder of the term of the vacant position.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-908) provides for board appointment to fill a vacancy until the next municipal election. If the term of the vacant position extends beyond that date, a new member must be elected at the municipal election for the remainder of the term.