

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
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**BILL SUMMARIES  
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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	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

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.

**LD 2219      An Act to Establish Current Drinking Water Standards for  
Environmental Protection**

ONTP

**SPONSOR(S)**

TAMMARO  
VOSE  
GOULD R A  
LORD

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill proposed to require the use of maximum contaminant levels (MCL) rather than maximum exposure guidelines if a MCL exists for a particular contaminant in any ground water remediation, evaluation, protection or monitoring project. The bill also would have required the use of specific analytical procedures to determine compliance with primary drinking water MCL standards.

**LD 2237      An Act to Implement a Comprehensive Ambient Toxics  
Monitoring Program**

PUBLIC 735

**SPONSOR(S)**

TITCOMB  
MARSH  
LUTHER

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

S-598

**SUMMARY**

This bill, as replaced by committee amendment "A" (S-598), requires the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to assess existing data and data collection efforts by the State, to monitor the fate and significance of toxic substances in the freshwater, estuarine and marine environment and, if necessary, to recommend to the Legislature a state monitoring program for the collection of any additional data. The committee amendment (S-598) incorporates a series of findings that outline the characteristics of an acceptable toxics monitoring program. The Commissioner will report the results of this study with any recommendations to the Legislature in 1993.

The amendment also authorizes the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to permit other state agencies to take fish with gill nets for scientific purposes.

**LD 2242      An Act to Clarify the Subdivision Definition under Maine  
Land Use Regulation Commission Laws**

PUBLIC 687

**SPONSOR(S)**

ANDERSON  
LUDWIG

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

OTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

H-913    JACQUES  
H-960    JACQUES

**SUMMARY**

This bill clarifies the definition of the term "subdivision" under the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission laws but does not change the intent of Public Law 1991, chapter 306.

The committee amendment (H-913) removes a requirement that the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on the number and location of 40-acre lots created within its jurisdiction and the subsequent division of those lots. It also reformats existing requirements to make them easier to read and follow. This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

A house amendment (H-960) corrects an incorrect cross-reference.