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JULY 1993

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

JULY 1993

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.

The committee report or reports, the prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor in each house if one has been designated are listed below each bill title. 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 Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses CON RES XXX Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days **EMERGENCY** CARRIED OVER Bill carried over to Second Session Ought Not to Pass report accepted ONTP ENACTMENT FAILED Bill failed to get majority vote INDEF PP Bill Indefinitely Postponed FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote **DIED BETWEEN BODIES** House & Senate disagree; bill died CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree **VETO SUSTAINED** Legislature failed 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.

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

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LD 188

An Act to Establish a Minimum Age Limit on the Use of All-terrain Vehicles

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

MORRISON

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to raise the minimum age for operating an ATV from 10 to 12 years; prohibit a person between the ages of 12 and 16 years from operating an ATV with an engine size greater than 90 cubic centimeters; and expand age restrictions to apply to ATV's operated on all private and public land in this State.

LD 296

An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws

PUBLIC 141

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

JACQUES

OTP-AM

H-208 ROTONDI

LUDWIG

H-99

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to provide that any person convicted of shooting a domestic animal or of wounding or killing a person while hunting permanently loses the privilege to hunt.

The committee amendment (H-99) strikes and replaces the bill. Under this amendment a person convicted of violating Title 12, section 7406, subsection 14 (shooting a domestic animal) loses the privilege to hunt for 5 years. A person convicted of committing a crime against a person while hunting, if that crime involved a failure to properly identify the target, loses the privilege to hunt for 10 years. A person is entitled to have the privilege reinstated after the revocation period provided that person completes a firearm safety training program.

The house amendment (H-208) provides for an opportunity for a hearing upon revocation of a license.

LD 297

An Act to Change the Penalty for Night Hunting or Illegal Killing of Large Game Animals

PUBLIC 136

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SKOGLUND PINGREE OTP-AM

H-203

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to make a hunting license revocation mandatory for any person convicted of night hunting or illegally killing a large game animal.

The committee amendment (H-203) strikes and replaces the bill. This amendment provides for mandatory hunting and fishing license revocations for certain listed violations of the hunting and fishing laws of this State.