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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

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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 1019 An Act to Establish a Monthly Average Dissolved Oxygen

Standard for Class C Waters

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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SUMMARY

This bill would have created a standard for the 30-day average dissolved oxygen concentration for Class C waters of 5.5 parts per million. The regional office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency objected to this proposal as being inconsistent with the requirements of the federal Clean Water Act. The committee unanimously recommended an "ought not to pass" report.

LD 1023

An Act to Amend and Clarify the Solid Waste Management Laws

PUBLIC 310

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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H-298

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H-452 JACQUES

SUMMARY

This bill proposed several changes to the solid waste laws affecting the Maine Waste Management Agency.

Committee amendment "A" (H-298) replaced the bill.

Part A of the amendment revises the toxics reduction in packaging laws to require that manufacturers furnish certificates of compliance to purchasers instead of to the agency and to establish a 6-year exemption for packaging that can not meet the statutory concentration levels because of the addition of post-consumer materials. Part A also repeals a transition provision that is no longer applicable and repeals the provisions pertaining to a voluntary waste reduction and recycling labeling program. This part also establishes that a waste reduction or recycling marketing and advertising claim made in violation of Federal Trade Commission guidelines is a violation of the Maine Unfair Trade Practices Act.

Part B amends the host community benefits provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, chapter 24, subchapter V to limit its application to solid waste disposal facilities owned or operated by the Maine Waste Management Agency.

Part C clarifies that the imported municipal solid waste fee is assessed on municipal solid waste going to commercial solid waste disposal facilities. This part also clarifies the fee payment procedure for waste delivered to solid waste disposal facilities and makes that procedure retroactive to September 30, 1989, the effective date of the laws governing waste disposal fees and contracts under Title 38, chapter 24, subchapter VII.

House amendment "A" (H-452) removes a retroactivity provision in Part C, since the section affected is merely a clarification of existing law.

LD 1030 An Act to Clarify Air Emission Standards

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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