

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

**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*

*P&S XXX*

*RESOLVE XXX*

*CON RES XXX*

*EMERGENCY*

*CARRIED OVER*

*ONTP*

*ENACTMENT FAILED*

*INDEF PP*

*FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT*

*FAILED MANDATE 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 Second Session*

*Ought Not to Pass report accepted*

*Bill failed to get majority vote*

*Bill Indefinitely Postponed*

*Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote*

*Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote*

*House & Senate disagree; bill died*

*Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree*

*Legislature failed 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.

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

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This bill also clarifies the Legislature's intent under the overboard discharge replacement program that the level of state funding is less for the replacement of seasonal residential discharges than for the replacement of year-round residential discharges. Currently, the law defines a seasonal overboard discharge as an overboard discharge from a human habitation occupied for less than 6 months in any calendar year.

Finally, the bill clarifies the overboard discharge relicensing law by adding language to include municipalities that provide the same sewerage services as sanitary and sewer districts to the provisions requiring the installation or use of wastewater holding tanks.

**LD 1286**      **An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Aseptic Containers**      ONTP

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
CLEVELAND	ONTP	

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed aseptic containers to be sold in the State. The committee unanimously recommended an "ought not to pass" report. (See also LD 256 & 975)

**LD 1290**      **An Act to Amend the Shoreland Zoning Laws**      CARRIED OVER

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
ST. ONGE		

**SUMMARY**

This bill, which was carried over to the Second Regular Session, proposes to prohibit the Department of Environmental Protection from requiring towns to zone the areas around moderate value wetlands as resource protection in their shoreland zoning ordinances. Resource protection districts greater than 100 feet around high value wetlands would also prohibited.

This bill also proposes to require the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to set forth a definition of low, moderate and high value wetlands to be incorporated into the Maine Revised Statutes.

**LD 1294**      **An Act to Ensure Implementation of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990**      PUBLIC 412

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
MARSH	OTP-AM	H-534 H-669    CHONKO

**SUMMARY**

This bill increases air emission license fees and imposes a toxicity surcharge on certain emissions effective November 1, 1993 to support DEP Air Bureau activities that are necessary to comply with the federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. The bill also increases the maximum annual air emission license fee from \$100,000 to \$150,000, bases the fee for electrical generating systems on licensed allowable emissions rather than actual emissions, sets the anniversary date for annual fees, and provides that air emission license fees are to be used solely for air pollution control activities.