

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

**BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
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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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**LD 1340 An Act to Amend the Selection Process for the
Administration of the Mexico Water District**

P & S 30

SPONSOR(S)
LUTHER

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill amends the Mexico Water District charter by allowing the trustees to appoint an administrator for an indefinite period of time instead of on an annual basis.

LD 1352 An Act to Abolish the Castine Water District

P & S 43

SPONSOR(S)
GRAY
GOULD R R

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-344
H-455 GRAY

SUMMARY

This bill terminates the Castine Water District and allows the Town of Castine to acquire the assets and liabilities of the Castine Water District upon voter approval by the inhabitants of the Town of Castine and a ratification vote by the Trustees of the Castine Water District.

The committee amendment (H-344) added a mandate preamble to the bill.

The House amendment (H-455) removes the mandate preamble and provides that putting the bill out to referendum is optional. The bill will only become effective if a referendum is held and approved.

**LD 1356 An Act to Amend the Charter of the Plymouth Water
District**

P & S 31

SPONSOR(S)
TARDY

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-342

SUMMARY

The bill amends the Charter of the Plymouth Water District to provide that the district is obligated to supply water for only the 47 residences identified in an agreement between the district trustees and the Department of Environmental Protection.

The bill proposed to require that an annual meeting be held the 2nd Monday in October to elect officers.

The committee amendment (H-342) permits the trustees to establish in bylaws the date of the annual meeting.

LD 1406 An Act Pertaining to Pole Attachment Rate Disputes

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)
CASHMAN

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED