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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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, 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*
CON RES XXX	*Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses*
EMERGENCY	*Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days*
ONTP	*Ought Not to Pass report accepted*
INDEF PP	*Bill Indefinitely Postponed*
FAILED ENACTMENT	*Bill failed to get majority vote*
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 unable to agree; bill died*
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*

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5581LHS

Joint Standing Committee on Fisheries & Wildlife

LD 983 An Act to Exempt Owners of Shooting Ranges from any Civil or Criminal Action Relating to Noise Pollution

DIED BETWEEN BODIES

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT		AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MARSH	REF TO ENR	MAJ	
	ONTP	MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill was carried over from the 1st Regular Session by the Judiciary Committee. The bill was re-referred to the Fisheries and Wildlife Committee. A majority of the committee voted to re-refer the bill to the Energy and Natural Resources Committee. However, the House and Senate could not agree to the new referral and the bill died between the bodies.

The bill proposed to hold owners of shooting ranges immune from civil and criminal prosecution for matters relating to noise or noise pollution at the shooting range if the shooting range was operated in compliance with any noise control laws or ordinances in effect when the shooting range was constructed.

LD 1211 An Act Concerning Habitual Offenders under the Fish and Wildlife Laws

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MARSH	ONTP	
SUMMERS		
JACQUES		

SUMMARY

This bill was carried forward from the 1st Regular Session.

The bill proposed to elevate violation of the fish and wildlife laws by certain habitual violators to a Class C crime.

LD 1382 An Act to Strengthen the Landowner Relations Program

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
REED G	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill was carried forward from the 1st Regular Session.

The bill proposed to establish a funding mechanism for the Landowner Relations Program. It would have required hunters, anglers and trappers to purchase a landowner relations stamp. Proceeds from the sale of this stamp would have been earmarked for a Landowner Relations Fund. Use of the fund would have been limited for use in the Program. The Program would have included a mechanism to permit the use of matching grants from local sporting organizations. (See L.D. 1829, which includes a provision designed to encourage landowners to keep their land open to hunting, trapping, fishing and other outdoor activities.)