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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

MAY 1994

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 Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT DIED BETWEEN BODIES House & Senate disagree; bill died Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died CONF CMTE 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. If you have any suggestions or comments on the summaries, please let us know.

5581LHS

LD 1811 An Act to Provide for a Disaster Relief Fund

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

CAHILL

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have transferred 1/10 of a cent from the gasoline tax collected to a Disaster Relief Fund administered and expended by the Maine Emergency Management Agency. The Disaster Relief Fund money would have been used to pay the state obligated share of public assistance for presidentially declared disasters.

LD 1823

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation to Erect Signs Indicating the Bath, Brunswick and Topsham Recreational Area ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

CAHILL

HARRIMAN

ONTP

SUMMARY

The purpose of this resolve was to direct the Department of Transportation to erect 2 signs on Interstate 95 indicating the Bath, Brunswick and Topsham Recreational Region.

LD 1858

An Act to Streamline the Department of Transportation's Permitting Procedure for Aboveground Facilities

PUBLIC 540

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BRANNIGAN

OTP-AM

S-421

SUMMARY

This bill authorizes the Department of Transportation to adopt rules to allow public utilities to place facilities within the public way without having to first obtain a written location permit. The bill also requires that the rules contain specific conditions determined necessary to protect the public safety and prevent obstruction of the public way.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-421) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 1872

An Act to Make Allocations from the Maine Turnpike Authority Funds to the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1995

PUBLIC 563

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BRANNIGAN

OTP-AM

S-462

SUMMARY

The purpose of this bill is to make allocations from the gross revenues of the Maine Turnpike Authority from the authority's fiscal year ending December 31, 1995, in accordance with the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6 and the authority's general bond resolution. The bill also clarifies the timing of submissions of the authority's operating budgets.