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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 1892

An Act to Establish Reasonably Available Control Technology Standards for Nitrous Oxides

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

GWADOSKY

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have established reasonably available control technology standards, or RACTs, for nitrous oxide emissions from major industrial sources located in moderate or more severe ozone nonattainment areas and that are required to meet RACTs pursuant to the Federal Clean Air Act, Section 182 and would have adopted a so-called "committal SIP" or state implementation plan for nitrous oxide RACT requirements in the rest of the State. Under the terms of the "committal SIP," the State would commit to do photochemical grid modeling to determine the extent to which nitrous oxide reductions in the attainment, nonattainment—unclassified and nonattainment—marginal areas, which are the "subject areas," would be necessary to achieve attainment in the moderate—nonattainment areas. If the modeling demonstrated that nitrous oxide reductions in the subject areas would not be necessary to achieve attainment in the moderate nonattainment areas, facilities in the subject areas would not be subject to nitrous oxide RACTs.

LD 1910 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Refuse Disposal Districts

PUBLIC 597

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

MORRISON

OTP

SUMMARY

This bill allows the board of directors of a refuse disposal district to fill their required quorum in writing as well as in person.

LD 1927

An Act to Remove the Sunset Provision from the Limitation on Liability for Recycling Activities by Municipalities and Regional Associations

PUBLIC 598

EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

LAWRENCE

0TP

SUMMARY

This bill removes the sunset provision from a law that limits the liability of owners, lessees and occupants of land upon which recycling containers owned by municipalities and regional associations are located.

LD 1951

An Act to Consolidate and Streamline the Functions of Maine Government in Conformity with the Provisions of the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact

PUBLIC 664 EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

LAWRENCE

OTP-AM

S-567

SUMMARY

This bill consolidates state functions that are devoted to the monitoring of radioactive waste, the siting and operation of disposal facilities for radioactive waste and the regulation of licensees of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission. As required by legislation enacted in 1993, which authorized the State's entry into the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, this bill