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STATE OF MAINE 119TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

JULY 1999

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing and Select Committees August 1999

We are pleased to provide this summary of all bills that were considered by the Joint Standing and Select Committees of the Maine Legislature this past session. The document is a compilation of bill summaries which describe each bill and relevant amendments, as well as the final action taken. Also included are statistical summaries of bill activity this session for the Legislature and each of its joint standing and select committees.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is organized by committees and within committees by bill (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are listed by paper number. Two indices, a subject index and a numerical index by LD number are provided for easy reference to bills. They are located at the back of the document. A separate publication, <u>History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents</u>, may also be helpful in providing information on the disposition of bills. These bill summaries also are available at the Law and Legislative Reference Library and on the Internet (www.state.me.us/legis/opla).

Final action on each bill is noted to the right of the bill title. The abbreviations used for various categories of final action are as follows:

CARRIED OVER	Bill carried over to Second Regular Session
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE	One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill
	Action incomplete when session ended; bill died
EMERGENCY	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
	Bill failed to get vote required for enactment or final pasage
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY	Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
ONTP	Bill Indefinitely PostponedOught Not To Pass report accepted
OTP ND	
<i>OTP ND/NT</i>	
P&S XXX	Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
PUBLIC XXX	
RESOLVE XXX	
	Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is September 18, 1999.

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
DAVIS P	ONTP	_
CARR		

LD 187 proposed to change the moose hunting season to the last six days in September.

LD 196 An Act to Prohibit Rewards to Fish and Wildlife Informants

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report		Amendments Adopted
PERKINS	ONTP	MAJ	
	OTP-AM	MIN	

LD 196 proposed to prohibit state agencies or private persons from giving monetary rewards to persons who report violations of the fish and wildlife laws.

LD 200 An Act Regarding the Posting of Land Against Hunting

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
BROOKS	ONTP	_

LD 200 proposed to require landowners to date signs posting land. The bill proposed that such signs remain effective for five years after being posted.

LD 219

An Act to Require On-duty Government Employees to Wear the Same Orange Clothing as Hunters When in the Woods during Deer Season

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report		Amendments Adopted
PERKINS	ONTP	MAJ	
	OTP-AM	MIN	

LD 219 proposed that all state and federal employees wear hunter orange while on duty in the woods during open firearm season.

LD 249 An Act to Give Citizens 70 Years of Age and Older Free Bear and Duck

PUBLIC 480

Hunters Stamps