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BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

AUGUST 1999

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MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

From: J. Timothy Leet, Senior Legislative Analyst

Date: August, 1999

Re: Bill Summaries, 119th Legislature, 1st Regular Session

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs during the 1st Regular Session of the 119th Legislature. The summary describes each bill or order and relevant amendments as well as the final action. Also included is a statistical summary of bill activity by the committee. Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the 1st Regular Session (unless a later date is specified in a particular law) is September 18, 1999. Joint orders are effective when passed.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills handled by the committee this session. It is organized by bill (LD) number and two indices are located at the back of the document that group bills by subject and by LD number. 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*
CON RES XXX..... *Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses*
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... *Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died*
DIED BETWEEN BODIES..... *House & Senate disagree; bill died*
DIED IN CONCURRENCE..... *One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill*
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT *Action incomplete when session ended; bill died*
EMERGENCY..... *Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days*
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... *Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote*
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE *Bill failed to get majority vote*
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT..... *Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote*
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY *Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died*
INDEF PP *Bill Indefinitely Postponed*
ONTP *Ought Not To Pass report accepted*
OTP ND..... *Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft*
OTP ND/NT *Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title*
P&S XXX *Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law*
PUBLIC XXX..... *Chapter # of enacted Public Law*
RESOLVE XXX..... *Chapter # of finally passed Resolve*
UNSIGNED *Bill held by Governor*
VETO SUSTAINED..... *Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto*
READ AND PASSED..... *Joint Order passed by the House and Senate*
PASSED AS AMENDED *Joint Order passed as amended by the House and Senate*

A complete summary of bills for all committees will be available in the very near future. Copies will be on file in the Law and Legislative Reference Library and Senate and House offices. You will also soon be able to access these bill summaries from our website.

I hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Best wishes for an enjoyable summer.

Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources rather than the University of Maine System. To ensure maximum program continuity, the amendment added an emergency preamble and an emergency clause. The amendment also added a fiscal note.

Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" (S-392) proposed to replace the contents of Committee Amendment "A" with language which clarified that funding for an integrated pest management program for cranberries first provided to the Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Maine for fiscal year 1998-99 in Private and Special Law 1997, chapter 93 is ongoing funding and may not be used by the University of Maine System for any other purposes.

Enacted law summary

Private and Special Law 1999, chapter 45 clarifies that funding for an integrated pest management program for cranberries first provided to the Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Maine for fiscal year 1998-99 in Private and Special Law 1997, chapter 93 is ongoing funding and may not be used by the University of Maine System for any other purposes.

LD 842 **An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$100,000,000 for School Construction and Renovation** **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FRECHETTE PENDLETON	ONTP	

LD 842 proposed a bond issue, in the amount of \$100,000,000, that would be used to fund school construction and renovations.

LD 848 **An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Coastal Quality Improvement Council** **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PEAVEY KILKELLY	ONTP	

LD 848 proposed to provide General Fund appropriations totaling \$216,005 over the 2000-2001 biennium to provide mental health services to people who are homeless in the Brunswick area.

LD 862 **An Act Authorizing a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$7,500,000 to Fund Seat Belts for School Buses** **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MENDROS	ONTP	

LD 862 proposed a bond issue, in the amount of \$7,500,000, that would have been used to install seat belts in school buses.