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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

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BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES MAY 1986

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, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "CA" if it is a committee amendment. If the amendment was adopted in the House, the letter H appears after the sponsor. If it was adopted in the Senate, the letter S appears.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

Ought to Pass OTP Ought to Pass in New Draft OTP-ND Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title OTP-ND-NT Ought to Pass as Amended OTP-AM Ought Not to Pass ONTP Leave to Withdraw LVWD Indefinitely Postponed INDEF PP

LVWD

LD 179

Sponsor: MICHAEL, Bragg, Whitcomb

Committee Report: LVWD

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill proposed to change the minimum solid and milk fat requirements for milk, partly in an attempt to improve the flavor of Maine milk sold.

LD AN ACT TO COORDINATE BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL REGISTRATION

Sponsor: PRAY, Black, Tardy, Sherburne

ND LD 2091

Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: Passed in New Draft 2091. See LD 2091.

LD AN ACT TO INCREASE THE REGISTRATION FEE
1715 CHARGED TO PESTICIDE MANUFACTURERS AND OTHER
REGISTRANTS

ND LD 2208

Sponsor: MICHAEL, McCollister, Parent, Erwin, E.

Committee Report: OPT-ND

SUMMARY: See LD 2208.

An amendment (S-431) reinstates a sentence in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 952, of the branding law, adding a qualifying phrase which stipulates clearly that the sentence applies to section 952 only. In addition, a new subsection is added to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 957, to allow a packer knowing potatoes to be out of grade to hold them for repacking, provided that the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources is notified and that the potatoes are inspected prior to shipment. Under these circumstances, the lot of potatoes involved will be segregated, but will not be subject to inspection under the branding law until reworked and regraded.