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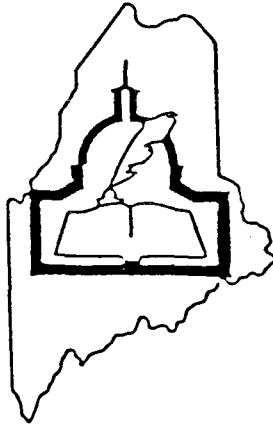
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
LOCAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
BILL SUMMARY



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BILL SUMMARIES
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD:

353

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A SELF-LIQUIDATING BOND
ISSUE FOR WALDO COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT BUILDING
TO HOUSE COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICES

DRINKWATER
STEVENSON
ALLEN
TARDY
P AND S
CH # 15

OTP-AM

HOUSE Emerg. Enacted
SENATE Emerg. Enacted
GOV EMER SIGNED

H-79 CA

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SUMMARY:

This bill is for an \$80,000 bond issue to construct a building to house the county extension service. This bond is to be retired in no more than 20 years. The referendum makes no mention of the retirement period.

Committee Amendment A accomplishes the following:

1. Eliminates the confusion as to whether the bill requires a referendum.
2. Adds a provision as to action to be taken if the bonds are not issued or the funds not expended within specified time periods;
3. Changes the referendum question to indicate the amount of interest to be incurred, to indicate the current bond debt status of the county and to change the retirement period to 15 years to match the support data from the county; and
4. Makes a number of minor wording changes.

LD:

375

AN ACT TO CLARIFY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OVER
AUTOMOBILE GRAVEYARDS AND JUNKYARDS

MAYBURY
RUHLIN

OTP-AM

HOUSE Enacted
SENATE Enacted
GOV SIGNED

S-149 CA

H S

PUBLIC
CH # 305

SUMMARY:

The original bill attempted to allow municipalities to apply "reasonable standards" to automobile graveyard or junkyard operating permits. The Maine Supreme Court has interpreted the present Title 30, section 2454 to restrict municipalities to applying solely the criteria listed in that section when they decide whether or not to grant or deny a permit request for a junkyard. LD 375 would have allowed a municipality to consider other factors in deciding whether or not to grant a permit request, including any "reasonable standards" adopted by the municipality, such as the effect on ground and surface water, compliance with state and federal hazardous waste regulations, fire safety, traffic safety, off-site noise levels, compliance with local ordinances and regulations, and the proximity to existing