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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
LOCAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
BILL SUMMARY



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residential or institutional uses. Under the bill, a town may deny the permit if an applicant fails to meet any of the requirements that the town chooses to apply. If the town approves the application, the municipal officers could attach conditions to the permit relating to only the hours of operation, pollution control, erosion and sedimentation, waste disposal, sewage disposal, traffic safety, fire safety, and screening from a highway and adjacent property. Committee amendment S-149 added the requirement that the additional local permit requirements be imposed through local ordinances, and specified that local groundwater regulations could not be less stringent or inconsistent with rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection. Additionally, conditions of operation imposed by the municipality are no longer limited to those expressly listed in the original bill, but under the amendment must be related to compliance with the local ordinances enacted as previously described under section 2454.

LD: 376 AN ACT TO ALLOW HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARDS TO APPOINT ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS MAYBURY RUHLIN

ONTP HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would allow an alternate commissioner to be selected for Housing Authority Boards. This bill would authorize the appointment of one alternate who could act in the place of any regular commissioner who was absent.

LD: 389 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A KENNEBEC COUNTY BUDGET COMMITTEE DAVIS DAGGETT

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED PUBLIC CH # 367

H-155 CA H S
H-257 CA DAGGETT
H-293 CA DAGGETT H S

SUMMARY:

This bill would remove the approval authority over county budgets from the legislative delegation and give it to a committee composed of elected officials from the municipalities in the county. The rationale generally offered for the action taken by this bill is that it is consistent with the fact that county revenues are to a significant degree obtained from the local property tax.

Committee Amendment A affirms that the bill applies only to Kennebec County. It also adds a sunset provision calling for the repeal of the provisions of the bill on September 30, 1988.

House Amendment A changes the Kennebec County Budget Committee from approval to advisory. The members of this committee will be appointed by the county commissioners, rather than being elected by the municipal officers. Under this amendment, the county commissioners are given the authority to finally adopt the budget for Kennebec County.

House Amendment B is the same as Amendment A except that the Legislature is given final approval authority.

LD: 401 AN ACT TO RAISE THE RECORDING FEES RECEIVED MELENDY
BY THE REGISTER OF DEEDS JALBERT

LU-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would make the fee schedule for registrars of deeds uniform, except for the filing of plans, by charging \$8 for the filing of any instrument, and \$2 for each additional page. This would raise the present filing fees for liens by \$3, and for all other documents by \$2.

LD: 402 AN ACT RELATING TO THE FREQUENCY OF PAYMENTS MANNING
BY CERTAIN COUNTY OFFICIALS TO COUNTY
ND: 1569 TREASURERS

OTP-ND HP1078 HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

Currently the county register of deeds is required to pay to the treasurer by the 15th of the following month all fees received. This bill allows them to pay daily and requires them to pay weekly.