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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
STATE 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:

449

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE
FROM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT

MACBRIDE

ONTP

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

LD 449 proposed to require that the Commissioner of the Department of Inland fisheries and Wildlife be appointed from persons currently employed in that department?

The purpose of LD 449, according to the Statement of Fact, is to insure that the person appointed commissioner has a working knowledge of the department.

The committee rejected the bill for a number of reasons. The Governor, currently, can select the Commissioner from within the Department. The prohibition of persons outside the department from serving as commissioner could prevent the appointment of very highly qualified and capable persons to the position. In addition, the restriction of the appointment of commissioner to department employees could lead to "in-bred" ideas and operation.

LD:

467

RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF A
CERTAIN UNUSED BUILDING AND LAND OWNED BY THE
STATE TO THE TOWN OF WELLS

DANTON
HICHENS
WENTWORTH

OTP-AM

HOUSE Finally Passed
SENATE Finally Passed
GOV SIGNED

RESOLVE
CH # 14

S-21 CA

SUMMARY:

LD 467 differed from LD 295 with respect to the compensation formula for the property and the person designated to transfer title to the town of Wells. In LD 467, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration is authorized to transfer title to the property from the Department of Finance and Administration to the town of Wells for a price that is to be negotiated or as a gift to the town.

Since the provisions of this bill were more acceptable to the Governor than LD 295, the Committee voted unanimously in favor of LD 467.