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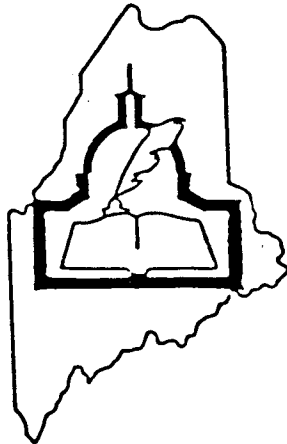
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES
BILL SUMMARY



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BILL SUMMARIES
JULY 1985

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:

527

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DRILLING OF WELLS

SCARPINO

ONTP

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

The bill would have prohibited drilling any water supply wells within 150 feet of any existing water supply well owned by a person other than the owner of the proposed well. The committee recommended against passage on the grounds that the 150 foot zone was arbitrary and not a scientifically sound regulatory policy. See related legislation, LD 731.

LD:

560

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOREST FIRE CONTROL
DIVISION

JACQUES
MASTERMAN
DEXTER
CARPENTER

OTP

HOUSE Enacted
SENATE Enacted
GOV SIGNED

PUBLIC
CH # 108

SUMMARY:

The bill proposed changes in the all-terrain vehicle laws and the forest fire laws to more clearly define:

1. enforcement responsibilities of forest fire control personnel,
2. the period used for the calculation of reimbursements to municipalities for forest fire control,
3. special restrictions on forest campfire permits issued to Maine guides,
4. the status of forest fire control vehicles as "emergency vehicles".

The bill also allows the Department of Conservation to designate backcountry campsites for which litter baskets will not be required.

LD:

571

AN ACT TO INCLUDE THE MINING OF SAND, FILL
OR GRAVEL FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES UNDER THE
SITE LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT LAW

KANY
HOLLOWAY
USHER
BROWN L

LU-WD

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

Current law exempts borrow pits for sand, fill or gravel covering up to 5 acres from regulation by the Site Location of Development Law. This bill would have eliminated the