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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

MARINE RESOURCES

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 a Tana Pana 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

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill proposed the creation of a special fund with an initial appropriation of \$125,000 to support the clean up of fish kills. The bill results from concerns of midcoastal residents who have experienced massive fish kills of bluefish and menhaden over the past several years. The Committee unanimously approved the bill. The Senate amended th bill (S-539) to remove any appropriation and established the DMR as the agency responsible for problem assessment and technical advice to effected municipalities.

LD 1963 AN ACT CONCERNING ATLANTIC SALMON

ND LD 2284

Sponsor: CARTER, Ruhlin, Conners, Perkins

Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 2284.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING LOBSTER TRAP IDENTIFICATION
1970 TAGS

PL 1985

Sponsor: CHALMERS, Crowley

Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1676.

SUMMARY: The original bill (LD1676) proposed to eliminate a sunset provision that would have allowed the DMR to charge for lobster trap tags after December 31,1986. Because of committee concern that the Commissioner of DMR intended to extend the trap tagging program beyond the Swan's Island experimental area without legislative review, LD 1676 was reported out in new draft by the committee majority with tag fee authority until September 30,1990 but explicitly limiting the authority to the Swan's Island area. The majority of the committee felt that this had been the original intent of the Marine Resources Committee when the authority was first granted in 1984 (PL 1983, c. The committee minority felt that the restricted authority unnecessarily limited the Commissioner's ability to manage the lobster resource. The majority report was enacted.

LD AN ACT TO CONSERVE STRIPED BASS 2041

PL 1985 c. 596

Sponsor: CARTER, Crowley

Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1720.

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