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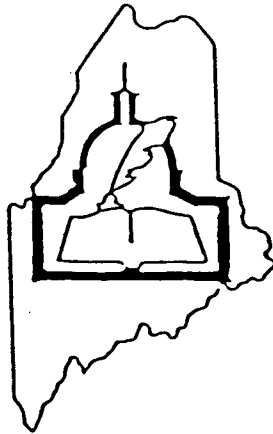
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged 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 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:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-AM	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

The new draft would have established a new interim goal of 1.5 pounds of SO₂ per 1,000,000 btu and would have maintained the 1.2 final goal for 1995. Those goals would have applied only to major fossil fuel-burning facilities which current figures indicate emit SO₂ at a rate of about 1.8 pounds per 1,000,000 btu.

LD 2070 AN ACT TO PROMOTE INTENSIVE SPRUCE-FIR MANAGEMENT P&SL 1985 c. 111

Sponsor: MARTIN, J., Pray
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 286.

H-571 CONNOLLY
H-595 MICHAUD
S-388 BROWN, L.
S-392 BROWN, L.
S-513 PEARSON H S

SUMMARY: The original bill proposed an incentives program for spruce-fir management through a tax credit and service forestry program. The new draft proposes a pilot program for the same purpose but utilizes a system of direct grants with minimal administrative staff. The Committee unanimously approved the new draft. The House amended the new draft (HA-571) to discourage the use of aerial herbicide applications as part of the state-funded grants program. A technical amendment (HB-595) reallocated the advisory board created by the bill to a more appropriate section of the laws dealing with boards and commissions. Senate amendments (SA-388 and SB-392) to give priority to projects not using silvicultural chemicals were not accepted. The Appropriations Committee rejected the program due to revenue shortages and replaced the entire bill with an allocation from the Federal Expenditure Fund to create a new entomologist position in the Maine Forest Service (S-513).

LD 2071 AN ACT CONCERNING STATE CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLLUTION ABATEMENT PL 1985 c. 689

Sponsor: BEGLEY, Mayo, Michaud, Holloway
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1797.

S-540 LAW H S
H-564 BEGLEY
H-614 LAW H S
S-389 CHALMERS H S
S-463 MCBREAIRTY H S