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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

Under current law (38 MRSA Chapter 13) which governs the procedures by which municipalities contract with Public waste disposal corporations, the public waste disposal corporation is empowered to issue bonds, including bonds that pledge the faith and credit of the member municipalities, without voter approval. In addition, the municipal officers, not municipal voters, elect representatives to the board of directors of the public waste disposal corporation. These same provisions apply with respect to the issue of taxable bonds and the incurrence of debt that a public waste disposal corporation is granted in LD 2126.

The proposal in LD 2126 is the result of the proposed Federal Tax Reform Act which establishes a ceiling on tax free bonds issued by states/municipalities for economic development, housing, etc., the proceeds of which, go to private firms or organizations. In Maine, the ceiling is \$200,000,000 which includes a mandatory \$30,000,000 set aside for non-profit hospital health care facilities. By using taxable bonds, a solid waste disposal operation would not fall under the \$200,000,000 ceiling.

LD 2143	AN ACT REQUIRING FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENTS DESCRIBING THE COSTS AND BENEFITS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT AND AGENCY RULE THAT AFFECT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	FAILED ENACTMENT
	Sponsor: WEBSTER, M., Jackson, Bell Committee Report: New Draft of LD 628	

SUMMARY: Please refer to LD 628.

LD 2163	AN ACT TO PERMIT SPECIFIC MUNICIPALITIES TO SERVE AS ADMINISTRATORS OF FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS	PL 1985 c. 613
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Sponsor: DAVIS, Tardy, Murphy, T., Pearson
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1862

SUMMARY: Please refer to LD 1862.