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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

LD  
2193

AN ACT TO PHASE OUT THE SALES AND USE TAX ON  
ENERGY USED IN MANUFACTURING

PL 1985  
c. 767

Sponsor: CASHMAN, Zirnkilton, Diamond G, Twitchell  
Committee Report: New draft of LD 354

S-508 SA H S

SUMMARY: New draft of LD 354. This bill phases out from July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1991 the sales and use tax on ninety-five percent of the fuel and electricity used at manufacturing facilities, with total elimination of the tax on the ninety-five percent portion by June 30, 1991. A manufacturing facility is defined as a site at which is located machinery and equipment used directly and primarily in the production of tangible personal property intended to be sold or leased ultimately for final use or consumption and includes such machinery and equipment and all machinery, equipment, structures and facilities located at the site and used in support of production or associated therewith.

LD  
2216

RESOLVE, REIMBURSING CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES ON  
ACCOUNT OF TAXES LOST DUE TO LANDS BEING  
CLASSIFIED UNDER THE MAINE TREE GROWTH TAX LAW

RESOLVE 1985  
c. 66  
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: TWITCHELL, Walker, Moholland, Simpson  
Committee Report: New Draft replaces LD 1913

SUMMARY: Reimburses municipalities on account of taxes lost due to forest land being classified under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law. Original bill provided for reimbursement to municipalities meeting the filing dates and assessment ratios required. The new draft includes 90.5% of the claims of municipalities which have either failed to file in a timely fashion or meet the required assessment ratio.

LD  
2240

AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE TELEPHONE EXCISE TAX

PL 1985  
c. 651

Sponsor: HIGGINS H, Twitchell, Daggett  
Committee Report: New draft of LD 699

SUMMARY: Held over from First Regular Session. Original bill would restrict the Maine telephone excise tax to local exchange telephone service. It would extend the sales tax