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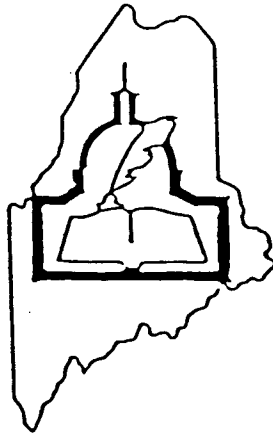
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged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

SUMMARY: The new draft establishes a comprehensive revision of the water quality classification system. A new system of water quality classes and standards is established and waters of the state are reclassified to fit the new system. Extensive files on the development and content of the bill are available in the legislative Office of Policy and Legal Analysis. The new draft also requires that all rules related to the licensing of hydropower be reviewed by the Energy and Natural Resources Committee prior to becoming effective. The Committee unanimously approved the new draft.

LD RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN RESOLVE 1985
2294 PUBLIC RESERVED LANDS IN WINTERVILLE c. 83
PLANTATION

Sponsor: MARTIN, J.,McBreairty
Committee Report:

SUMMARY: This resolve authorizes the Bureau of Public Lands to sell at fair market value developed and leased campsites along St. Froid Pond. The Committee unanimously approved the resolve.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO AIR EMISSION LICENSES IN ND LD 2384
2307 NONATTAINMENT AREAS

Sponsor: VOSE, Carpenter, Tamaro, Moholland
Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See New Draft of LD 2384.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS RELATING TO AND PL 1985
2368 ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF c. 746
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Sponsor: MICHAUD, Jacques, Ridley, Usher
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1986.

S-479 BROWN, L.
S-480 USHER S
S-482 VIOLETTE S

SUMMARY: The original bill proposed a series of technical amendments to existing law and new provisions regarding enforcement and regulatory procedures to allow the DEP to reassume responsibility for the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act program regulating hazardous waste. The bill was substantially amended and reported out in new draft by a majority of the Committee. A minority of the Committee supported the original bill. The new draft included additional technical issues presented by DEP and several substantive areas of change including 1) a proposal to declassify the position of assistant to the Commissioner and the four bureau directors in the DEP, 2) provisions to terminate the membership of BEP members whose terms have expired and 3) the redelegation of authority from the BEP to the Commissioner in the areas of waste water discharges and large subdivisions. The House adopted the majority report. The Senate adopted the majority report but attached two amendments; one made several minor changes in a provision related to compliance orders (SB-480) and one removed the sections of the bill dealing with declassification of DEP positions (SC-482). Another amendment (SA-479), which removed both the declassification provisions and the redelegated authority was defeated in the Senate. Subsequently the House adhered to its position and the Senate receded and concurred with House action.

LD	AN ACT CONCERNING RADIOACTIVE WASTE	PL 1985
2371	ACTIVITY AND DISAPPROVING HIGH-LEVEL	c. 802
	RADIOACTIVE WASTE SITES IN THE STATE	

Sponsor: KANY, Mitchell, Coles, Holloway
Committee Report: New Draft/New Title of LD 2260.

S-477 BROWN, L. H S

SUMMARY: The original bill would have required Maine to veto the selection of any high-level radioactive waste disposal site in this State which is selected by the federal government, unless the Governor and the Legislature determine that such a disapproval is inappropriate. The bill was determined to be an inadequate statement of disapproval and a new approach was sought which would strengthen the State's position.