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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

UTILITIES

BILL SUMMARY



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Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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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-A Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP Ought Not to Pass
LVWD Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP Indefinitely Postponed

Sponsor: INGRAHAM, Ludwig

Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1035

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1035.

LD AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE DEFINITION OF TELEPHONE LVWD

113 UTILITIES SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Sponsor: WEYMOUTH, Willey, Allen

Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill provides a modern definition of telephone utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Ut_lities Commission based upon modern technology concepts.

LD AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR DEPRECIATION ON CONTRIBUTED LVWD 127 PROPERTY

Sponsor: CLARK, N., Rolde, Murphy E., Webster C., Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill would allow municipal and quasi-municipal water utilities to charge users for depreciation of contributed property. At present, the PUC views depreciation as a means of recovering the initial investment, so no depreciation expense is allowed when the utility makes no investment in contributed property.