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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. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Adopted 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 "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

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

LD 139 AN ACT TO INCREASE LOCAL CONTROL OF CERTAIN WASTE WATER DISCHARGES.

PL 1987 c. 318

Sponsor: MICHAUD, Holloway, Coles, Tuttle  
Committee Report: OTP-A  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-216 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: The original bill allowed municipalities to exercise an option to assume the responsibility for licensing, inspecting and enforcing small (less than 2,500 gallons per day) waste water discharges currently regulated by the Department of Environmental Protection.

The committee amendment clarifies the original bill by (1) specifying general criteria which the municipality must satisfy before authority is delegated, (2) providing for an appeal from a municipality's decision on a discharge license, (3) requiring municipal ordinances to be at least as stringent as state and federal law, and (4) providing for adoption of rules by the board, including a model ordinance for municipalities.

LD 151 AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN LAWS RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

ND LD 1654

Sponsor: RIDLEY, Michaud, Jacques  
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1654

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1654.

LD 167 AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESSING OF ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS.

PL 1987 c. 274

Sponsor: USHER  
Committee Report: OTP-A  
Amendments Adopted:  
S-87 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: The original bill sought to broaden the authority of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to handle certain kinds of applications including expansions of existing structures under the Site Location Act, large air pollution sources under certain conditions, and all inland wetland permits. The bill also sought to explicitly deny the board the authority to review such "delegated" decisions made by the commissioner.