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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
233

AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL LICENSED GUIDES TO HAVE
CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION FIRST AID
CERTIFICATION.

LVWD

Sponsor: JACQUES, Rotondi, Swazey
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: All Maine guides registered since 1980 have been required to complete a course in CPR while guides registered prior to 1980 have been grandfathered. This bill would have required all guides to complete the course regardless of when they were first registered. A study of laws and issues relating to registered guides enacted through LD 1339 will address this issue.

LD
233

AN ACT CONCERNING THE OPEN SEASON ON BEAR.

PL 1987
c. 171

Sponsor: JACQUES, Rotondi, Tammaro, McGowan
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill increased the length of the bear season by extending it to the first Monday preceeding September 1. This provision allows registered guides to book for an entire week of hunting rather than just a partial week. It is hoped this expansion will increase the harvest levels for bear as well.

LD
291

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE DEER SEASON.

ONTP

Sponsor: SMITH, Weymouth, Webster C, Theriault
Committee Report: ONTP-OTP

SUMMARY: This bill sought to repeal the Department's doe permit system in favor of a three weeks buck, one week any sex season throughout the State. It also proposed opening the first day of the season only to residents.

The doe permit system has been in effect for one season. It is based on allocating doe permits over 17 zones. Some zones allow no doe-hunting. Permits for does are allocated by lottery. Proponents of the bill cited that too few permits are given out, the lottery system is expensive to run, the system has resulted in more landowners posting their land because they are not getting permits and that this system is not an effective management scheme.