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BILL SUMMARY



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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 AN ACT TO REQUIRE AFFIRMATIVE PERMISSION FOR ONTP
524 ATV USE.

Sponsor: WHITCOMB, Lord, Usher
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: This bill would have required All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) operators to get landowner permission to use an ATV on another's property. Permission already is required to operate an ATV on cropland or pastureland.

Major ATV legislation was enacted one year ago. The Committee favored waiting to see how the current legislation works before tinkering with it further.

LD AN ACT PERTAINING TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL TO LVWD
528 THE COMMISSIONER OF INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE.

Sponsor: SMITH, Weymouth, Rotondi
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill was designed to abolish the Advisory Council to Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The Council was established in 1929 to advise the Commissioner concerning the administration of the Department. The Department feels the Committee's input is both valuable and needed, and provides a valuable communication link to the State's sportsmen. The Council however, has the authority to veto regulations promulgated by the Department. The Committee, following a 1983 recommendation of the Audit and Program Review Committee, sought to remove the Advisory Council's consent authority while leaving the Council intact. The Department recommended waiting to see how the Council and new commissioner interact before removing the consent authority.

LD AN ACT TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOCATIONS TO THE ND LD 1848
555 DEPARTMENT OF INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE FOR EMERGENCY
THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1988, AND
JUNE 30, 1989.

Sponsor: USHER, Farren, Jacques
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1848

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1848.