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MARINE RESOURCES

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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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

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Sponsor: LOOK, Rice, Brawn

Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1568

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1568.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE AQUACULTURE INDUSTRY. LVWD LD 819

Sponsor: SCARPINO

Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill defined a seed size for transferring mussels onto aquaculture leases, required an environmental impact study as part of the leasing process, required the consent of the Marine Advisory Council in all leasing decisions, and prohibited all alterations or changes to the ecosystem within the lease and surrounding areas. The bill also stipulates that rental fees for leases be set by the Bureau of Public Lands consistent with their submerged lands policies. Finally, the bill imposed a moratorium on all new aquaculture leases until a category by category review of guidelines for the environmental impact statement could be finished. The moratorium on categories of leases would be lifted as each of these guidelines were promulgated.

The committee addressed some of these issues through LD 1840 and the sponsor withdrew the bill.

LD AN ACT TO REPEAL THE 2-INCH CLAM LAW. 841

ND LD 1622

Sponsor: BEGLEY

Committee Report: ONTP-MAJ OTP-ND-MIN LD 1622

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1622.