

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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  
1148

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT INITIAL SERVICE CHARGES BY  
PUBLIC UTILITIES

ND LD 1768

Sponsor: WEBSTER, M., Clark N., Bragg, Baldacci  
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT LD 1767 (Majority)  
OTP-ND LD 1768 (Minority)

SUMMARY: The bill prohibits electric utilities from charging a hookup fee for the installation of a 200 amp service. In the 1986 CMP rate design case, the Public Utilities Commission approved a hookup charge of \$600 for new residential services over 100 amps as a contribution towards the cost of the generating capacity to serve that customer. Similarly, the October 1, 1986 Bangor Hydro rate design ordered a hookup charge.

LD  
1175

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF SEARSPORT WATER  
DISTRICT

LVWD

Sponsor: CROWLEY, Gould  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill extends the boundaries of the Searsport Water District to include Stockton Springs. Stockton Springs is already served by the district. No referendum is included.

LD  
1189

RESOLVE, TO CREATE A COMMISSION TO STUDY THE  
COST OF REPLACEMENT POWER IN CASE OF A SHUTDOWN  
OF THE MAINE YANKEE POWER PLANT

LVWD  
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: CONLEY, JR., Baker, Erwin, E,  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill establishes a commission to study the costs of replacing the power in case Maine Yankee is closed by mandate. The commission would have 7 members: 2 Senators, 2 Representatives, The Directors of the State Planning and the Energy Resources Offices, and a public member appointed by the Governor. Their report is due January 31, 1988. \$10,000 is appropriated from the General Fund.