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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

"mining activity". Several additional requirements for project approval were proposed. These included the capacity to provide for sewerage facilities, no adverse impact on existing public access to water bodies and adequate provision for infrastructure facilities. The bill would have required that the cumulative impacts of development (defined in bill) be taken into account when permitting decision are made.

Fourth, several separate articles of existing law were proposed to be repealed and replaced with a comprehensive Protection of Natural Resources Law (covering great ponds, freshwater and coastal wetlands, alteration of streams, coastal erosion areas, coastal sand dunes, fragile mountain areas, coastal sand dunes, fragile mountain areas, and critical wildlife habitat. Development activities in these natural resource areas would have required a BEP permit.) Permitting authority could have been delegated to towns under certain conditions.

Fifth, the bill would have enacted the State Highway Land Use Management Act to address strip development along major highways.

See also: LD 1369, 1442, 1580, 1617 and 1647

LD 1296 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATE ONTP
AND FEDERAL LAWS REGARDING THE CHEMICAL
SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION LAWS.

Sponsor: TAYLOR, Twitchell, Willey, Brown
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: The bill exempted all private employers from the state Chemical Substance Identification law. This law requires, among other things, that any employer must advise its employees about the hazardous materials that the employees work with and provide training for the employees.

LD 1303 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH CAPACITY CONTROLS ON ONTP
COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES.

Sponsor: KANY, Tuttle, Murphy E, Richard
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: The bill established a process to evaluate the public need for new solid waste disposal capacity and to ensure that recycling alternatives were fully explored. The bill required the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct a "capacity needs analysis" assessing the state's requirements for disposal capacity. The bill