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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

moratorium by approximately nine months to July 1, 1988. Finally, the bill established a new licensing authority for solid waste disposal facilities. This new authority incorporated consideration of the state's need for disposal capacity and recycling. These provisions were similar to those developed for the committee's solid waste study legislation (see LD 1862). The committee rejected the bill in light of the study legislation.

LD AN ACT TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY AND RECLAIM 1327 LOST MARINE RESOURCES.

LVWD

Sponsor: HOLT, Matthews Z Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill was similar to LD 1268 dealing with overboard discharge of domestic pollutants. The bill differed in several important ways. First, the bill set a firm deadline of January 1, 1993 beyond which no overboard discharge license could be renewed or extended. LD 1268 allowed renewals under certain new criteria. Second, there was no provision made for expansion of existing commercial facilities as there was in the amended version of LD 1268. Finally, the bill required annual reporting by the Department of Environmental Protection on all overboard discharges and a study by the department of overboard discharge pollution and strategies to phase out such discharges by the 1993 deadline. The committee rejected the bill in favor of LD 1268.

LD AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON LICENSING, LVWD 1330 DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF ALL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES, LANDFILLS AND INCINERATORS EMERGENCY PENDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THIS STATE.

Sponsor: MURPHY E, Tuttle, Lord, Ridley Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill extended the then current commercial landfill moratorium until a study commission, created by the bill, submitted its report. The bill establishes a commission to study a wide range of solid waste issues. The commission was to submit its final report no later than January 1, 1990. The committee rejected the bill in light of the study legislation already under consideration. (See LD 1862)

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