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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 CHANGE THE LIME LAWS.  
1237

PL 1987  
c. 425

Sponsor: CALLAHAN, Tardy  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill is designed to regulate the sale and distribution of agricultural liming materials. It establishes within Maine law a new subchapter for liming materials, separating lime from other fertilizers.

LD AN ACT TO CONTINUE THE AGRICULTURAL VIABILITY  
1267 PROGRAM.

PL 1987  
c. 424

Sponsor: WHITCOMB, Emerson, Tardy, Aliberti  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill continues the life of agricultural viability program for 4 more years, and it provides funds to support the program.

LD AN ACT TO CREATE A MAINE DAIRY STABILIZATION  
1368 FUND.

CARRY-OVER

Sponsor: MCGOWAN, Tardy, Parent, Matthews Z  
Committee Report: CARRY-OVER

SUMMARY: The intention of this bill is to establish the Maine Dairy Stabilization Fund to be administered by the Maine Milk Commission. The fund could consist of appropriations made annually by the Legislature and surcharges imposed on the sale of milk. Disbursements are intended to be made from the fund to Maine milk producers to equal the difference between the Average Federal Order No. 1, Zone 21 blend price from the years 1980 to 1984 and the average net reblend price actually received by the producers.

LD AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE LAWS RELATING TO FOOD  
1381 SAFETY.

PL 1987  
c. 374

Sponsor: BRAGG, Gill, Brannigan, Richard  
Committee Report: OTP-A  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-262 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: Present law requires food establishments (food factories, plants, warehouses and stores, but distinct from