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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
MAY 1988**

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 for floor amendments. Final action is listed to the right of the title. If final House and Senate action differ, both are listed. Committee Reports and Floor Action are indicated as follows::

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

Each individual summary was prepared by the analyst assigned, as noted for each committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including Secretaries: Charlene Brann, Janet Jean, Earl Knox, Valarie Parlin; Research Assistant Hartley Palleschi. Finally, Secretary Laurette Knox, Legal Assistant Carolyn Chick, and Research Assistant Robert Dunn had special responsibilities in the preparation of the overall document.

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

LD An Act to Create a Maine Dairy Stabilization Fund
1368

LV/WD

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
MCGOWAN	LV/WD	
TARDY		
PARENT		
MATTHEWS Z		

SUMMARY

The purpose of this bill is to establish the Maine Dairy Stabilization Fund to be administered by the Maine Milk Commission. The fund will consist of appropriations made annually by the Legislature and surcharges imposed on the sale of milk. Disbursements will be made from the fund to Maine mil 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 Relating to the Maine Milk Commission
1632

LV/WD

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
MATTHEWS Z	LV/WD	
NUTTING		
WEYMOUTH		
DILLENBACK		

SUMMARY

This bill increases the size of the Maine Milk Commission by 2 seats. One seat will go to a dairy farmer and the other a representative of the dairy processing industry. These dairy representatives shall be chosen by the Governor from a nomination slate which is developed as a result of special elections, with dairy farmers only voting for the farmer candidates and with owners and managers of dairy plants voting for the milk dealers candidates. The Governor shall choose between the candidates with the highest number of votes and the 2nd highest number of votes.

LD An Act to Conserve Agricultural Production Capability
1746 and to Promote Harmony between Agriculture and Adjacent
Development

ND 2522

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
LISNIK	OTP-ND-NT	
NUTTING		
RIDLEY		
PERKINS		

SUMMARY

Replaced By LD 2522