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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

The committee withheld support from this bill for three reasons; its late introduction, the need to deal first with other legislation, and the presence of several other land use related bills. These bills included L.D.s: 1284, 1442, 1617, 1647, and 1764 (a new draft of 1442). As a result of these factors, a study of land use and economic development issues will be conducted during the interim between the first and second regular sessions of the 113th Legislature.

LD AN ACT TO CHANGE THE WATER QUALITY PL 1987
1596 CLASSIFICATION OF THE CARRABASSETT RIVER AND c. 189
CERTAIN OF ITS TRIBUTARIES.

Sponsor: DEXTER, Holloway
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 961

SUMMARY: The original bill upgraded the classification of a portion of the Carrabassett River mainsteam from class B to class A. In reviewing the actual water quality of the mainsteam and its tributaries, the committee unanimously decided to amend the bill to also upgrade the classification of various tributaries to class A.

LD AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE WELL WATER INFORMATION PL 1987
1597 LAW. c. 509

Sponsor: MITCHELL, Coles, Mills
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 265
Amendments Adopted:
S-254 PEARSON

SUMMARY: The original bill required all well drilling contractors to report on the characteristics of all wells that they construct. The committee unanimously adopted a new draft which made several technical corrections, lengthened the reporting period from 45 to 180 days and made provisions to limit the public availability of the data. The new draft exempts the data from the Freedom of Access Act in order to allow the Maine Geological Survey and other state agencies who subsequently acquire the data to limit public access to the individual well records.