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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

LVWD

Sponsor: ROLDE, McPherson Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: P&SL 1985, chapter 33 authorizes the Town of York to repair private roads within approved subdivisions upon petition of the abutters. Then the Town assesses the abutters for the actual expenses. This bill exempts the York Water District from such an assessment.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO TERMS OF OFFICE FOR TRUSTEES
1638 OF THE KENNEBEC WATER DISTRICT

P&SL 1987 c. 33

Sponsor: CARTER, Parent, Bragg, Jacques Committee Report: New Draft of LD 860 Amendments Adopted: S-101 KERRY

SUMMARY: The new draft, like the bill, shortens the terms of the trustees from 7 years to 3 years. It also provides a schedule for the immediate transitions to the new terms and also limits trustees to 2 consecutive terms.

The Senate amendment requires that the trustee in the 7th seat on the Board of Trustees alternate between Benton and Vassalboro and be appointed by the municipal officers instead of by the county commission as at present.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE LINCOLN 1659 WATER DISTRICT

P&SL 1987 c. 52 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: HARPER, Hichborn, Pearson, Clark N., Committee Report: OTP-A Amendments Adopted: H-339 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: The bill changes the notice requirements for annual and regular meetings of the district from posting in 2 public places in the district to publication in a newspaper of local circulation. The bill also exempts emergency meetings from published notice, but requires the media to be given the same notice as the trustees.

The bill also changes the annual meeting from March to May, repeals a provision requiring the trustees to prepare voting lists and provision allowing a moderator to be chosen to chair District meetings.

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