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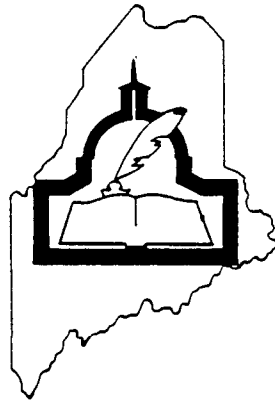
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

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
1759

AN ACT TO REFORM THE ANIMAL WELFARE LAWS.

PL 1987
c. 383

Sponsor: CLARK N, Black, Tardy, Bragg
Committee Report: New draft of LD 838

SUMMARY: This new draft is a recodification of animal welfare laws, both civil and criminal. It represents the effort of the Animal Welfare Board to reorganize and reform current law into a more useable text and to remove ambiguities, inconsistencies and duplication. As a result of the work done by the Animal Welfare Board to clarify animal welfare laws, archaic provisions are eliminated, greater enforcement action will be improved and compliance with federal laws governing humane treatment will be achieved.

LD 1827 AN ACT TO CREATE AN AGRICULTURAL MARKET RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUND PROGRAM.

PL 1987
c. 444

Sponsor: MAHANY, Theriault, Lisnik, Pines
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1075

SUMMARY: This new draft establishes the Agricultural Market Research and Development Fund from which grants will be made to fund market research and market development projects for the purpose of expanding existing markets and developing new markets. Projects targeted to a market in which Maine agricultural products did not already have a significant presence shall be given preference. Applicants shall be required to fund at least 25% of the cost of a project and at least 10% of the cost of a project shall be funded from nonpublic sources.

LD 1833 RESOLVE, TO STUDY THE NEED FOR UNIFORMITY IN PESTICIDE REGULATION.

RESOLVE 1987
c. 50
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: TARDY, Parent, Hussey
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 102

SUMMARY: The original bill amended the Maine Pesticide Control Act and the Board of Pesticides Control statute to pre-empt any municipality from regulating the labeling, distribution, storage, transportation, use or disposal of pesticides unless specific provision is made in these statutes for municipal regulation. These are regulated by the State. However, several municipalities have enacted ordinances prohibiting certain kinds of pesticide use in certain locations.