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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 ENSURE SAFE ABATEMENT OF ASBESTOS  
1762 HAZARDS.

PL 1987  
c. 448  
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: BOST, Usher, Michaud, Holloway  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 944  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-278 MICHAUD  
H-344 BROWN  
S-150 USHER

SUMMARY: The original bill established a certification program for those people removing, transporting and disposing of asbestos. The bill described a variety of job classifications, set up certification procedures (administered by the Department of Environmental Protection), and established a fee structure to fund the program.

The new draft amends the fee structure to shift the primary financial burden to those persons requiring asbestos removal services. It included an exemption for removal activities at residential dwellings with four or less units and for disposal activities at sites already licensed by the department. The new draft also made revisions to ensure consistency and avoid overlap with federal requirements for worker safety.

LD AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM OF FINANCIAL  
1763 ASSISTANCE TO EXPEDITE THE REMOVAL OF  
UNDERGROUND OIL TANKS.

PL 1987  
c. 521

Sponsor: WILLEY, Sewall, Usher, Hepburn  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1507  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-404 MICHAUD

SUMMARY: The original bill proposed a loan and loan guarantee program administered by the Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) to assist businesses in the removal and replacement of underground oil storage tanks. The remainder of LD 1507 (sections 11 through 32) was very similar to separate legislation also before the committee (LD 836) and is not discussed further here.

The new draft included the provisions relating to FAME and deleted all other sections of the original bill. The bill was placed on the Appropriations Table because of the potential fiscal impact on the General Fund through the loan guarantee program, and because of this fiscal impact