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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
BILL SUMMARIES  
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*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::*

<b>OTP</b>	<b>Ought to Pass</b>
<b>OTP-ND</b>	<b>Ought to Pass in New Draft</b>
<b>OTP-ND-NT</b>	<b>Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title</b>
<b>OTP-A</b>	<b>Ought to Pass as Amended</b>
<b>ONTP</b>	<b>Ought Not to Pass</b>
<b>LVWD</b>	<b>Leave to Withdraw</b>
<b>INDEF PP</b>	<b>Indefinitely Postponed</b>

*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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significance is left to the discretion of the individual towns. The law also creates a mechanism for state review and comment on local planning efforts to encourage the incorporation of the state goals in these local efforts and to coordinate regional needs and issues.

The role of regional councils in providing technical assistance is substantially increased along with the councils' role in planning for regional needs and assessing the regional trends in economic development. The State is given an active role in comprehensive planning through increased technical and financial assistance programs for municipalities and through review and comment on local plans and zoning ordinances. These State functions will be the responsibility of the new Office of Comprehensive Land Use Planning in the Department of Economic and Community Development.

The bill establishes a set of financial incentives to encourage local adoption of growth management programs consisting of comprehensive plans and various implementation measures such as zoning ordinances. These incentives are designed to focus only on growth-related state financial assistance.

A more detailed summary of the bill as amended is available from the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis. Further information may also be obtained from the Office of Comprehensive Land Use Planning.

**LD** An Act to Clarify the Site Location of Development Law **PUBLIC**  
**2326** **760**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
CLARK N ESTES MURPHY T ROLDE	OTP-AM	S-394

SUMMARY

The original bill would have limited the Department of Environmental Protection review of Site Location applications to the consideration of only those traffic impacts from proposed major developments which occur on roads actually contiguous with the proposed development.

The committee amendment requires the Department to consider both on and off site traffic movement and limits the consideration of off site impacts to roads "in the vicinity of the proposed development". This amendment further directs the Department to report back to the Legislature on its efforts to update and revise the traffic criteria of the Site Location Law. The Department is directed to adopt rules on this topic by January 15, 1989 and submit the rules to the Committee for review.