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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
BILL SUMMARIES  
MAY 1988**

*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 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 Lorette Knox, Legal Assistant Carolyn Chick, and Research Assistant Robert Dunn had special responsibilities in the preparation of the overall document.*

*Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.*

**LD** An Act to Require Testing for Dioxin and Toxic Metals at  
**2362** Energy Recovery Facilities

**PUBLIC**  
**688**

SPONSOR(S)

DUTREMBLE D  
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COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-537 JACQUES

SUMMARY

The original bill would have required testing for dioxin in the air emissions of energy recovery facilities. In the first two years of operation the testing would have occurred every 6 months. After two years, the testing frequency would have dropped to once every two years. Testing would have been required to simulate worst case conditions. Public review of test results would have been required.

The original bill was replaced by a House amendment (H-537). The amendment retained the public review requirements and the testing schedule for the first two years. After the first 2 years, testing will be required when, in the judgement of the Department of Environmental Protection, the operating conditions of the facility were conducive to emission of excessive levels of dioxin and heavy metals. The Department is directed to adopt rules governing this process by January 1, 1989. All costs are to be borne by the owner of the facility being tested.

**LD** An Act to Revise the Solid Waste Law  
**2368**

**PUBLIC**  
**706**

SPONSOR(S)

JACQUES  
PARADIS E  
USHER  
PERKINS

COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP MAJ  
ONTP MIN

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-544 JACQUES

SUMMARY

This bill repeals the authority of county commissioners to adopt ordinances controlling the siting of landfills in the unorganized portions of their jurisdiction. A House amendment (H-544) explicitly voided any such ordinance which might have been adopted prior to the effective date of this bill.

**LD** An Act to Appropriate Funds to Conduct a Marine Pollution  
**2371** Monitoring Program

**PUBLIC**  
**843**

SPONSOR(S)

MITCHELL  
COLES  
LOOK  
CAHILL

COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-520 PEARSON

SUMMARY

The original bill established a Marine Environmental Monitoring Program within