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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::

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

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.

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

LD An Act Concerning the Storage, Use and Transportation of
2477 Hazardous Chemicals

PUBLIC
763
EMERGENCY

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
ERWIN E TRACY MARTIN J KANY	OTP-AM	S-418

SUMMARY

The bill, as amended, creates an Emergency Response Commission pursuant to recent federal law. The membership of the Commission includes a number of state agencies along with representatives from the private sector, local government and local fire chiefs. The Commission is charged with developing and overseeing a program of planning for emergency responses to accidental releases of hazardous materials and for disseminating public information on the use of these materials in local communities. The bill requires the Commission to report to the Committee by January 1, 1989 on progress in implementing the requirements of state and federal law in this area. Finally, the amended bill requires annual refresher training for employees working with hazardous materials.

LD An Act Concerning Cutting in Resource Protection Areas **LV/WD**
2489

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
PEARSON	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would have changed the standards for timber harvesting and vegetation clearing in shoreland areas. An amended version of this bill was included in LD 2374.

LD An Act to Improve Comprehensive Land Use Planning and Land **FAILED**
2506 Use Ordinances to Manage Growth and Development **BETWEEN**
HOUSES

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
DEXTER PERKINS ANDERSON	ONTP OTP-AM	MAJ MIN

SUMMARY

The original bill contained a comprehensive program for local growth management. These provisions were considered in the committee deliberations over LD 2317. The original bill also included a local option transfer tax which towns could use to fund efforts to preserve open space through the formation of local land banks. The minority committee amendment deleted the growth management provisions and reported out only the local option transfer tax and land bank provisions. The Senate accepted the majority ought-not-to-pass report and the House accepted the minority report (H-738) with the result that the bill failed between the houses.