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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.

Finally, the amendment retains the emergency clause; with an effective date of May 1, 1988. However, the diesel differential is not effective until July 1, 1988 in order to allow time for implementation.

The recent history of the gasoline tax is:

Year	Tax Rate* (cents per gallon)	Net Revenues to Highway Fund (\$million)
1978	9	\$55.1
1979	9	55.6
1980	9	50.2
1981	9	47.9
1982	9	48.4
1983	14	54.5
1984	14	82.2
1985	14	84.1
1986	14	86.1
1987	14	90.9

*This includes the tax on diesel fuel which is called "special fuel" or "use fuel".

LD An Act to Clarify and Correct the Motor Vehicle Laws LV/WD
2491

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
DOW MOHOLLAND POULIOT STROUT D	LV/WD	

SUMMARY
See LD2630

LD RESOLVE, to Create a Commission to Study the Feasibility of LV/WD
2513 a Toll-Based Highway in Mid-Coast Maine

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
KILKELLY COLES HOLT DOW	LV/WD	

SUMMARY
This resolve creates a commission to study the feasibility and options available for constructing a highway to bypass route 1 from Bath to Lincolnville, including various funding options: a toll-based highway; federal & state funding; and private bond financing. Their report is due January 15, 1990.