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ON  
ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

JULY 1989

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BILL SUMMARIES  
AUGUST 1989

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 for 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 abbreviated 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 Research Assistant Barbara McGinn, and secretaries: Charlene Brann, and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

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

LD 135      An Act to Expand the Eligibility for Participation in the  
Maine Conservation Corps to Include More Low-income Maine  
People

PUBLIC 11  
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)

MICHAUD  
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COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill expands eligibility for the Maine Conservation Corps from persons who meet the federal definition of economically disadvantaged under the Job Training Partnership Act to those persons who meet the State's definition of "working poor" under the Maine Training Initiative.

**LD 139**      An Act to Promote Recycling and Improved Solid Waste  
Management (Reported Pursuant to the Commission to Study  
Municipal Solid Waste Management)

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill contained the recommendations of the 1988 legislative study subcommittee on solid waste. The bill would have promoted recycling through increased state purchases of recycled paper, low interest loans to recycling businesses, an extensive municipal recycling grants program, a substantial expansion of the state's bottle deposit law and several other more minor measures. Funding was to be derived from new advance disposal fees on tires, auto batteries, white goods and brown goods. While the committee reported the bill "ought not to pass", virtually all provisions were incorporated into the committee's comprehensive solid waste legislation (see LD 1431).

LD 144      An Act Regarding Traffic and Residential Areas Adjacent to  
Proposed Solid Waste Facilities

PUBLIC 157

SPONSOR(S)

JOSEPH  
JACQUES  
MICHAUD  
LORD

COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-134

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended (H-134), adds a new standard to the solid waste facility siting law, which deals with traffic impacts. The new standard closely parallels the traffic standard for the Site Location of Development law (38 MRSA §481 et seq). Additional criteria in the new standard include consideration of vehicle weight, road construction standards and other factors. The Board of Environmental Protection is directed to set weight limits for any vehicle transporting waste to and from the proposed facility. Finally, the amended bill prohibits licensing of the municipal solid waste transfer station within 250 feet of any property boundary.