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FIRST REGULAR SESSION



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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
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 257 **An Act to Repeal the Law Concerning Agricultural Land and Adjacent Development**

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)
GOULD R A

COMMITTEE REPORT
LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill would have repealed the farmland adjacency legislation passed by the 113th Legislature. See LD 949 for committee action on this issue.

LD 280 **An Act to Allow Raffleing of Livestock by Charitable Organizations for Charitable Purposes**

PUBLIC 154

SPONSOR(S)
LORD
TARDY
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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-150 HUSSEY
H-78

SUMMARY

This bill allows charitable organizations to raffle livestock for fund-raising purposes. A charitable organization must obtain a license from the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources before raffleing livestock. Proceeds from a raffle must be used for charitable purposes.

The committee amendment, H-78, specified that raffled animals be awarded in freezer ready form.

H-150 replaced the committee amendment while retaining its intent and removed a reference to horses to clarify that the intent is not to raffle horse meat.

LD 286 **Resolve, to Study the Development of a Farmland Preservation Program for Maine**

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)
MARSH
WHITCOMB
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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The resolve established a Commission for Farmland Preservation. The commission's purpose was to outline recommendations for goals, identify effective mechanisms for preserving Maine's agricultural land base, and present its recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature.

Funding of \$24,100 was not provided and the bill was indefinitely postponed.