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FIRST REGULAR SESSION



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ON
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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.

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COMMITTEE REPORT
LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to exempt from state subdivision review any divisions of land at least 40 acres in size when the only shoreland area present in the divided parcel or lot surrounds a mapped freshwater wetland. The bill would have required restrictive covenants placed in the deeds of all such lots to prohibit all development activities and timber harvesting within 250 feet of the mapped freshwater wetland. The subdivider would have been required to forward a copy of the deed to the state reviewing agency. This bill was withdrawn by the sponsor before the public hearing.

LD 466 An Act to Study the Use of Pesticides in the State's Forests

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the Department of Conservation to review the issues relating to pesticide use in the State's forests on an ongoing basis. The department would have been required to review the use of pesticides and the issues surrounding their use by December, 1990. The department is currently doing a similar review, through the Maine Forests for the Future Program so the Committee voted not to pass the bill.

LD 468 An Act to Ban the Use of Chlorofluorocarbons in All Plastic Foam Boards

PUBLIC 39

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-19

SUMMARY

The 113th Legislature enacted legislation effective January 1, 1989, that prohibited the sale of any extruded polystyrene foam products in Maine which are manufactured using chlorofluorocarbons, or CFC's, that are found by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to be ozone-depleting chemicals (38 MRSA §1603). Other foam products, however, also contain CFC's. The original bill extended the prohibition to any similar foam products sold in Maine that contain CFC's to prevent an unfair market advantage to sellers that are not covered under current law and to further decrease the impact on depletion of the earth's ozone layer.

The committee amendment (H-19) extends the prohibition on sales of polystyrene foam boards manufactured with chlorofluorocarbons to other foam boards that also contain chlorofluorocarbons. This amendment also changes the date distributors must comply with this provision in order that the requirement for not be retroactive.