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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.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTEDSUMMARY

The purpose of this bill was to allow filling areas that are closed to the harvesting of clams or other marine mollusks because of the presence of a municipal sewerage treatment discharge. However, these areas have significant and important values even when closed to shellfish harvesting. The Committee felt the language was too broad and voted not to pass the bill.

**LD 527 An Act to Amend and Unify the Residential Energy Efficiency
Building Standards**

**PUBLIC 75
EMERGENCY**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-45

H-60 TAMMARO

SUMMARY

This bill unifies the existing energy efficiency building standards to create a uniform, mandatory standard for residential and commercial buildings.

The bill amends the Energy Efficiency Building Performance Standards by conforming it to the mandatory building standards enacted under Public Law 1987, chapter 818 and by repealing the now unnecessary voluntary standards and the separate mandatory publicly funded standards. It also establishes an energy efficiency standard for all residential buildings of more than 2 dwelling units. These standards are similar to the standard now used for publicly funded multiple unit residences.

The Committee amendment (H-45) added an emergency preamble and clause to the bill and made a technical change. H-60 corrected a technical error.

**LD 558 An Act to Protect Public Access to Intertidal and Submerged
Lands**

PUBLIC 310

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COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-331

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended by H-331, allows the Director of the Bureau of Public Lands to deny an application for a submerged lands lease if the director determines that the lease will interfere with public access to, or public trust rights in, on or over these state-owned lands. This amendment also adds a fiscal note.

The original bill also proposed to include the review of traditional accessways as part of the review under site location of development laws.