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ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**JULY 1989**

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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.

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

LD 861      An Act to Create and Implement a Fee Schedule and to  
Establish One Permanent Position to Coordinate and  
Administer the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act  
of 1986

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT

ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

In October 1986, Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), Title III, Public Law 99-499, mandated specific actions concerning designated extremely hazardous substances. However, this requirement was enacted by Congress without financial support. This program, which is designed to improve the environmental health and safety of Maine citizens, requires staff support to implement, monitor and manage this program. A fee schedule was proposed under this bill to be developed by the Director of the Maine Emergency Management Agency to make this program self-sufficient.

This bill was incorporated into LD 1475.

**LD 868**      An Act Concerning the Inspection of Dams

**PUBLIC 545  
EMERGENCY**

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OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-408    PEARSON  
S-70

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended (S-70), transfers responsibility for the dam safety inspection program from the Department of Environmental Protection to the Maine Emergency Management Agency. The bill was amended (S-408) to remove the appropriation sections as these funds were included in the Part II budget bill (PL 1989, c. 501).

LD 886      Resolve, to Create the Commission to Study the Feasibility  
of a Materials Recovery Facility

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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have created a study commission to examine the feasibility of developing a "materials recovery facility". These are recycling facilities generally of a size to handle waste within a geographic region. The committee voted not to pass the bill. (See also LD 1431).