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FIRST REGULAR SESSION



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ON
FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

JULY 1989

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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.

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LD 941 An Act to Provide Free Hunting and Fishing Licenses to
Persons 65 Years of Age or Older

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
FARNSWORTH
CLARK H
BRAWN

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill sought to lower the age for free hunting and fishing licenses for Maine residents from age 70 to age 65.

LD 948 An Act to Amend the Hunting Laws

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
SMITH
RICHARD
LEBOWITZ
EMERSON

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill sought to increase the distance from dwellings within which the discharge of firearms is prohibited from 100 yards to 200 yards, and increase the distance from schools within which possession and discharge of firearms are prohibited from 500 feet to 500 yards.

LD 1051 An Act to Provide Honorably Discharged Maine Veterans of at
Least 62 Years with Special Free Moose Permits (BY REQUEST)

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
BRAWN
WALKER
DILLENBACK

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill sought to allow the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to have a separate drawing to obtain moose permits for veterans who are 62 years or older, have an honorable discharge and a valid hunting license. No more than 100 permits per year would have been issued. A veteran would have been eligible only once under any particular drawing for a moose permit. Any veteran would have had to apply only once for these drawings. If the veteran's name is not drawn, it would have been automatically put back for the following year's drawings.