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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.

SPONSOR(S)

EMERSON
KANY
PINES
NUTTING

COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-79 TWITCHELL

SUMMARY

The bill would have created an Integrated Pest Management Fund to develop and implement an expanded and improved integrated pest management program. It would have provided funds to implement IPM programs, to conduct research and demonstration projects on new IPM techniques and to examine the feasibility of private sector involvement in IPM programs. The bill also would have created an Integrated Pest Management Advisory Committee to advise the commissioner on the awarding of research and private sector grants and to advise the Cooperative Extension Service, which would have significantly expanded the size and scope of its current IPM involvement, on the development of its plan of work. Finally, the bill would have established reporting requirements of grant recipients.

The Senate amendment added an appropriations section of \$150,000 in each year of the biennium.

The bill did not receive funding and was indefinitely postponed.

LD 1147 An Act to Revise the Law Concerning Agricultural Land and Adjacent Development

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

MCCORMICK
FARREN
BRAWN

COMMITTEE REPORT

ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill would have repealed the farmland adjacency law and replaced it with a requirement that owners of farmland who apply or intend to apply pesticides or chemical fertilizers, register their farmland at their county registry of deeds office. See LD 949 for committee action on this issue.

LD 1171 An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Certain Fund Raising Events

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

HANLEY
TARDY
WHITCOMB
NUTTING

COMMITTEE REPORT

ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill provided an exemption to the statutory prohibition against the use of a live animal as a fund-raising device or in a raffle, contest, game or promotion in order to allow civic organizations to operate games such as "cow chip casino."

Committee voted not to pass the bill upon assurance by Animal Welfare Board that "cow chip" casinos would be allowed. Later action by the committee added the provisions of this bill to LD 528.