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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

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-191

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended (H-191), changes the classifications of surface waters in the Androscoggin and Kennebec River basins. The amended version places a January 1, 1992 repeal date on certain language in the classification of the Gulf Island Pond stretch of the Androscoggin River. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency was concerned that this language could be read to undercut the regulatory impact of the Class C status of this stretch. Most of the changes resulted in upgrading of the current classification. Two stretches were downgraded from "B" to "C" where the Legislature's previous reclassification in 1986 had been based on the old "B-2" classification. The dissolved oxygen parameters of the old "B-2" class were more comparable to the current Class C parameters. Primarily because of agricultural and other nonpoint discharges and flow conditions the two stretches in question, the Sabattus River and the Sebasticook River mainstem, are not expected to attain full Class B status.

LD 1031 Resolve, Authorizing the Director of Parks and Recreation to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Parcels of Real Property in the Town of Lincolnville and the County of Penobscot

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to convey title to 2 properties owned by the Bureau of Parks and Recreation to a municipality and a county. It was argued that the use and operation of each property could be better managed locally. The Committee was not comfortable conveying title of state land and suggested leasing the Lincolnville site to the municipality. The selectman asked to bring this issue to town meeting, the timing of which necessitated not passing the bill. The parcel on the Penobscot also was considered too valuable to convey.