

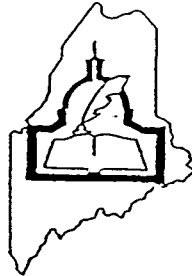
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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
AUGUST 1989

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

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-272

SUMMARY

This bill would have imposed an additional civil penalty on the operators of hydropower projects whose violations of the law result in fish kills.

The committee amendment broadens the scope of the original bill to make it a violation for improper operation of a fishway which results in a fish kill. The departments of Marine Resources and Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall jointly make rules to define fish kill. The penalty shall equal the value of the fish killed but not exceed \$10,000 each day the violation continues.

The amendment also adds a fiscal note.

**LD 1198 Resolve, to Create a Commission to Study Public Acquisition
of Recreation Rights on Water Company Lands**

LV/WD

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COMMITTEE REPORT

LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This resolve would have directed the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities to study public acquisition of recreation rights to lakefront property owned by water companies.

This resolve was withdrawn and replaced by a Joint order to establish a select committee to study the acquisition of recreation rights. The members of the committee represented the Joint Standing Committees on Utilities, Fisheries and Wildlife, and Energy and Natural Resources. The resolve was not funded.