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ON  
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.

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COMMITTEE REPORT  
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have exempted firearm ranges from the new noise regulations under site location of development laws, provided that they are currently in compliance and are out of range of permanent dwellings, within a properly constructed sound-absorbing building or in compliance with local zoning. However, new noise regulations proposed by the Department of Environmental Protection are better suited to addressing noise problems from shooting ranges than the old regulations. The committee voted not to pass the bill.

**LD 1482    An Act to Prohibit Dumping of Sanitary Waste in Inland Waters**

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COMMITTEE REPORT  
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED  
H-574

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to regulate boaters on Sebago Lake. Section 1 of this bill established a program for sealing holding tanks except during pump-out at authorized dumping stations. Section 2 of the bill stiffened the penalties for discharging waste from a watercraft into Sebago Lake by prohibiting the watercraft operator from placing or operating a watercraft on inland waters for 2 years.

The committee amendment requires all watercraft operating on inland waters to have all wastewater generated from any sink, shower or toilet within the boat go directly into a holding tank. The holding tank in turn, must not be connected to any through-hull fittings. This bill takes effect April 1, 1990.

**LD 1493    An Act to Regulate the Storage, Treatment, Disposal and Transportation of Medical Waste**

SPONSOR(S)  
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COMMITTEE REPORT  
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the Department of Environmental Protection to license any facility or person storing, treating, transporting or disposing of medical wastes. The Department would have been directed to adopt rules for the management of these requirements. The committee voted not to pass the bill in light of its earlier passage of LD 692.