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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:

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| 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.

The bill raised several Constitutional questions that could not be easily resolved. In addition, municipalities can grant vacancies on a case by case basis. As a result, the bill did not receive Committee approval.

LD 1682 Resolve, to Protect and Preserve Certain Property in Saco
Owned by the Finance Authority of Maine

RESOLVE 32
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)
GWADOSKY
PRAY
WEBSTER C
FOSTER

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1682 proposed to establish a wildlife preserve in Saco at the site of the Saco Tannery Waste Pits, restricting development or disturbance of the soil which could result in release or exposure of wastes located at the site. The Saco Tannery assisted by the former Maine Guarantee Authority, went bankrupt. The Finance Authority of Maine is the owner of the property which could cost as much as \$40,000,000 to clean up. Under this bill, the property will be maintained as a preserve and thereby avoid cleanup costs.

LD 1701 Resolve, to Create the Commission to Study the Establishment
of a State and Tribal Partnership to Encourage Economic
Development

CARRIED OVER
APP/FINN COMM

SPONSOR(S)
RANDALL
TOWNSEND
TAMMARO
MOHOLLAND

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-294

SUMMARY

LD 1701 proposed to establish the Commission to Study the Establishment of a State and Tribal Partnership to Encourage Economic Development. The commission would examine various ways in which the State and Indian tribes can undertake local and regional economic development efforts in partnership.

Committee Amendment "A" provided that the Governor of each tribe would appoint the tribal representatives to the Commission. The amendment authorized the Commission to employ a consultant and staff. The amendment also made the bill an emergency in order for the Commission to report to the Second Regular Session.

As a result of limited General Fund money, the bill was carried over.