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**One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature
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**Joint Standing Committee
Bill Summaries**

June 1990

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. 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 or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond, and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

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LD 2020

An Act to Protect the Quality of Public Drinking Water Supplies

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have prohibited the operation of houseboats for periods in excess of 120 consecutive days on inland bodies of water that are used as or connected to public drinking water supplies. While initially approved by the committee in amended form, the bill ultimately received a unanimous ought-not-to-pass report.

LD 2021

An Act to Amend the Laws Implementing, Administering and Enforcing the United States Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986

**PUBLIC 638
EMERGENCY**

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-489

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended by the committee (S-489), defines a facility subject to emergency planning and reporting requirements to include sites where transported substances covered under the requirements of the federal Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act and state requirements for emergency planning come to rest.

This bill, as amended, also changes the applicability provision for emergency response plans to include facilities where extremely hazardous substances are present rather than just where they are stored. This language is consistent with federal applicability provisions for emergency planning.

This bill, as amended, also stipulates that the Maine Emergency Management Agency's inspections cover the requirements that it administers.

LD 2025

An Act to Regulate the Use of Beverage Containers

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have repealed the ban on plastic ring connectors while maintaining the ban on other types of plastic beverage container devices. In place of the ban on plastic ring connectors, the bill would have required that such connectors be capable of decomposing by photodegradation or biodegradation within 120 days of exposure to natural elements. Finally, the bill would have established a separate violation for littering with plastic connectors by making such conduct a Class E crime.