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Joint Standing Committee Bill Summaries

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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.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

LD 2020 An Act to Protect the Quality of Public Drinking Water Supplies

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
TITCOMB	ONTP	
SIMPSON		
GREENLAW		
DORE		

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	PUBLIC 638
	Enforcing the United States Emergency Planning and Community	EMERGENCY
	Right-to-Know Act of 1986	

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
LUDWIG	OTP-AM	S-489
KANY		
TITCOMB		
LORD		

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			
	SPONSOR(S) BALDACCI LIBBY	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.

ONTP