

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

STATE OF MAINE
114TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION



BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
AGRICULTURE

JUNE 1990

MEMBERS:

*Sen. R. Donald Twitchell
Sen. Judy C. Kany
Sen. Jerome A. Emerson

*Rep. Robert J. Tardy
Rep. John A. Aliberti
Rep. B.Carolyn T. Mahany
Rep. John M. Nutting
Rep. Robert E. Hussey, Jr.
Rep. Wilfred J. Bell
Rep. Weston R. Sherburne
Rep. Susan J. Pines
Rep. Paul Parent
Rep. Walter E. Whitcomb

Staff:
Hartley Palleschi, Legislative Analyst

Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
Room 101, State House Station 13
Augusta, ME 04333
(207) 289-1670

*Denotes Chair

MARTHA E. FREEMAN, DIRECTOR
WILLIAM T. GLIDDEN, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
JULIE S. JONES, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
DAVID C. ELLIOTT, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
GILBERT W. BREWER
TODD R. BURROWES
GRO FLATEBO
DEBORAH C. FRIEDMAN
JOHN B. KNOX



PATRICK NORTON
HARTLEY PALLESCHI
MARGARET J. REINSCH
PAUL J. SAUCIER
JOHN R. SELSER
HAVEN WHITESIDE
JILL IPPOLITI, RES. ASST.
BARBARA A. MCGINN, RES. ASST.
BRET A. PRESTON, RES. ASST.

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS
ROOM 101/107/135
STATE HOUSE STATION 13
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
TEL.: (207) 289-1670

**One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature
Second Regular Session**

**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.

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

Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. Adherence to these grades and standards is a condition to the use of the trademark.

LD 2052 **An Act to Clarify the Relationship Between the Maine Potato Board, the Maine Potato Quality Control Board and the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources** **LV/WD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PINES	LV/WD	
BELL		
WHITCOMB		
COLLINS		

SUMMARY

This bill would have directed the Maine Potato Quality Control Board and the Maine Potato Board to jointly prepare and submit a plan of work and budget to the Commissioner of Agriculture for approval as a condition for funds being made available to the Potato Quality Board.

LD 2107 **An Act Prohibiting Membership in a Trade or Similar Association from Being a Condition for Licensing or Certifying a Producer's Food as Natural or Organic** **PUBLIC 663**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WHITCOMB	OTP-AM	H-780

SUMMARY

The bill, as amended by the committee amendment, provides that any Maine organization certifying food as organic can not require membership in the organization as a condition of certification.

LD 2121 **An Act to Regulate Food Salvage Operations** **PUBLIC 664**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PINES	OTP-AM	H-767
COLLINS		S-515 BUSTIN
BELL		
ALIBERTI		

SUMMARY

The bill, as amended by the committee amendment, provides for the regulation of food salvage operations by requiring food salvage establishments and food salvage brokers to be licensed in the same manner as other food establishments under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 551. The Senate amendment corrected technical errors in the committee amendment.