

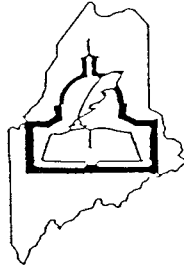
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One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature
Second Regular Session

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
OTP-ND
OTP-ND-NT
OTP-A
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP

Ought to Pass
Ought to Pass in New Draft
Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
Ought to Pass as Amended
Ought Not to Pass
Leave to Withdraw
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 2097 **An Act to Clarify Definitions and Provisions of Marine
Resources Laws**

PUBLIC 742

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BRAWN	OTP-AM	H-894 MITCHELL
MARSH		S-517
MITCHELL		
BRANNIGAN		

SUMMARY

This bill, as amended by the committee amendment, defines "equipment" to include "vehicle" in response to recent court rulings that marine resources statutes do not permit the seizure of vessels. The house amendment removed duplicative language in the definitions of "equipment" and "vehicle".

LD 2113 **An Act Regarding the Testing of Closed Clam Flats**

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MITCHELL	ONTP	

SUMMARY

The bill would have required the Department of Marine Resources to test closed clam flats within 7 days of an initial municipal request for testing. If not opened, the clam flat would have been retested at least once every 90 days.

LD 2118 **An Act Regarding Municipal Shellfish Regulations**

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MITCHELL	OTP-AM	H-887

SUMMARY

The bill established a minimum size for bulk piles of soft-shelled clams used to inspect compliance with clam size requirements and provided that any person possessing bulk piles of soft-shelled clams would have 2 hours after acquisition to sort clams before the clams are inspected.

The committee amendment deleted the bill and removed the existing 10% tolerance for clams less than the 2-inch minimum size. Clam diggers would be required to attach identification tags that include their license numbers to containers of clams before they are sold. The Commissioner of Marine Resources would adopt rules implementing the clam digger identification tag requirement.

LD 2124 **Resolve, to Study the Effect of Maine's Antifouling Paint
Laws**

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
KILKELLY	LV/WD	
BREWER		
BEGLEY		
ESTES		

SUMMARY

This bill would have established a study on the amount of work lost to other states due to Maine's antifouling paint law. The bill was withdrawn after the public hearing when the committee requested the introduction of LD 2268.