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One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature Second Regular Session

> Joint Standing Committee Bill Summaries

> > June 1990

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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-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

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and the municipality in addition to the violator. The Maine Land Use Regulation Commission must be notified if the violation allegedly occurs within its jurisdiction;

- 3. The action may be brought in either Superior Court or District Court; and
- 4. The Attorney General is allowed to intervene in these suits.

Commission

Resolve, to Establish the State Comprehensive Energy Plan

ONTP

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**COMMITTEE REPORT** 

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

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#### SUMMARY

LD 2197

This resolve would have established the State Comprehensive Energy Plan Commission to study the various options to meet the growing energy needs in the State and to develop a comprehensive energy plan for the State.

LD 2201

An Act to Create the Maine Coast Environmental Trust Fund

PUBLIC 903

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**COMMITTEE REPORT** 

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

ADAMS MARTIN J OTP-AM

H-811

WEBSTER M PERKINS S-728 PEARSON

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill, as amended by the committee (H-811), establishes the Maine Coast Environmental Trust Fund and incorporates the administration of the fund into the duties of the Marine Research Board. To effect this change, the board is expanded to include an additional representative of an environmental organization and a public member. A reporting deadline for the Marine Research Board is delayed. In awarding grants under the marine research grants program, oversight of the board by the Maine Science and Technology Commission is added to avoid potential conflict-of-interest situations.

The purpose of the fund is to provide a vehicle for individuals or foundations to provide grant monies or for the courts to award judgments for marine research. A provision in the original bill for a percentage of environmental penalties to go into the trust is removed. Executive agencies are eligible for grants from the fund if they are undertaking a research proposal with another entity that is not an executive agency.

The Senate amendment (S-728) clarifies that General Fund appropriations will not be required to fund the grants program of the Maine Coast Environmental Trust Fund.