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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 2289 An Act to Prohibit the Development of Spaghetti-lot
Subdivisions**

**PUBLIC 762
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)
PEARSON

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-553

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits the formation of so-called "spaghetti-lots" in the unorganized territories and in any proposed subdivision undergoing municipal review.

The committee amendment (S-553) allows additional exemptions to the spaghetti-lot prohibition included in the bill to allow for narrow lots for such purposes as public boat launches and wildlife travel corridors.

**LD 2290 An Act to Aid in the Enforcement of Crimes Relating to
Forest Fire Control**

**PUBLIC 704
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)
ANDERSON
LUDWIG
KANY
JACQUES

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-844

SUMMARY

This bill reestablishes an enforcement tool that was repealed in 1989. Until the enactment of Public Law 1989, chapter 174, section 9, forest rangers were accorded the power after an arrest to accept personal recognizance with a deposit for any criminal violation they enforce. This power was removed from the forest rangers last session because of possible perception of impropriety occasioned by the acceptance of money from an arrested person by a law enforcement officer. However, because forest rangers work in remote areas of the state, the personal recognizance bond is too valuable an enforcement mechanism to eliminate. Game wardens still possess this power.

A committee amendment (H-844) adds an emergency preamble and clause and corrects a technical error.

LD 2292 An Act to Reduce Color, Odor and Foam in Maine Rivers

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
STEVENS A
AIKMAN
WEYMOUTH
AULT

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have established standards controlling the discharge of color pollutants to the waters of the state. These standards would have been based primarily on the impact of the discharges on ambient conditions. (see also LD 1970)