

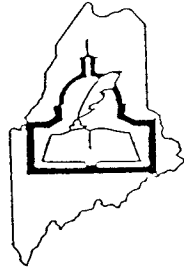
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**One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature
Second Regular Session**

**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 2252 **An Act Concerning Full Disclosure of Legislation--influencing
Donations and Expenditures**

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WEBSTER C WEYMOUTH GOULD R A DEXTER	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill amends the registration requirements contained in the lobbyist disclosure procedures. Organizations are required to provide more information on number and residency of members, on monies received and on expenditures made for the purpose of influencing legislation.

LD 2362 **An Act to Authorize the Maine State Lottery to Enter into an
Agreement with Other States to Join the Multi-State Lottery
Association, Known as Lotto*America, for the Purpose of
Operating a Joint Lottery**

PUBLIC 879

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MURPHY TUPPER CAHILL P BALDACCI	ONTP MAJ OTP-AM MIN	H-972 MIN REP S-629 GAUVREAU S-632 PEARSON

SUMMARY

This bill allows the director of the State Lottery Commission to enter into a written agreement with the Multi-State Lottery Commission, known as Lotto*America, for the purpose of operating, marketing and promoting a joint lottery game.

Committee Amendment "A", the minority report, adds a fiscal note.

Senate Amendment "B" places a 3-year sunset of the Lottery Commission's authorization to participate in Lotto*America.

Senate Amendment "D" requires the Lottery Commission to hold a public hearing prior to entering an agreement to participate in Lotto*America.

LD 2363 **An Act to Amend the Solid Waste Landfill Remediation and
Closure Laws Administered by the Department of Environmental
Protection**

**PUBLIC 870
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
FOSS MICHAUD LARRIVEE	OTP-AM	H-1075 H-1092 PRIEST

SUMMARY

This bill limits the liability of contractors that undertake work to close municipal solid waste landfills in accordance with a plan approved by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Committee Amendment "A" clarifies that a contractor remains liable under criminal laws and under workers' compensation laws and makes DEP's issuance of grant funds for closure work contingent on proof by the municipality that the contractor that will do the closure work has workers' compensation insurance or is

self-insured. The amendment requires municipalities to engage a licensed engineer to oversee construction operations and certify that the work comports with a closure plan approved by DEP. The amendment also requires the Legal Affairs Committee to study a number of issues regarding liability associated with closure of a municipal solid waste landfill.

House Amendment "A" clarifies the responsibility of an engineer retained in connection with closure of a municipal solid waste landfill.

**LD 2372 An Act Concerning the Licensing of and Use of Funds Raised
by Organizations Operating Games of Chance or Beano**

**PUBLIC 825
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
ERWIN E	OTP	S-596 BALDACCI
ERWIN P		S-597 BALDACCI
CLARK N		
JACQUES		

SUMMARY

This bill allows organizations licensed to operate games of chance or beano games to pay proceeds to members, officers or employees of that organization in cases of serious illness, injury or casualty loss subject to approval by the State Police, Licensing Division.

Senate Amendment "A" makes a technical change.

Senate Amendment "B" allows organizations at least 90% of whose members are 62 years of age or older to be eligible for an exemption from the beano licensing laws.

LD 2380 An Act Regarding the Operation of Bottle Clubs

**PUBLIC 816
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MATTHEWS	OTP-AM	S-615
PRIEST		
GWADOSKY		
DILLENBACK		

SUMMARY

This bill requires the State Liquor Commission to deny registration of a bottle club if the commission determines that any owner or operator of the club is ineligible for a liquor license or has been convicted within the preceding 5 years of a Class A, Class B, Class C or drug-related offense. The bill makes operation of a bottle club after a denial a Class D crime and operation of a club without applying for registration a Class E crime.

Committee Amendment "A" makes the procedure and requirements for obtaining permission to operate a bottle club comparable to those applicable to one seeking authorization of an establishment where liquor is sold.